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THE KING'S SLOW PROGRESS.

DISTINCTLY BETTER BULLETINS.

CHRISTMAS DAY "SPENT QUIETLY."

REASSURING POINTS.

London, Dec. 26.
No bulletin regarding the King's health was issued this morning, but Reuter learned on high authority that there was no change in His Majesty's condition. The following bulletin was posted outside Buckingham Palace at 8.15 o'clock this evening:
"The King has passed a quiet day. The local condition is improving and the strength is maintained. The next bulletin will be issued to-morrow evening."
(Signed) Stanley Hewitt, Hugh Riggall, Dawson of Pent.
The most reassuring feature of the bulletin is that the King is maintaining his strength. This is one of the essentials to progress and may be taken as an indication that the King's condition is satisfactory.
The extreme slowness of the progress still continues and any rapid stride forward is not, therefore, to be expected.—Reuter and British Wireless.
Christmas Eve Bulletin.

London, Dec. 24.
To-day's bulletin, stating that His Majesty has spent a quiet night and that his local condition continues to show progress, whilst satisfactory, is regarded as a further indication of the very slow and tedious nature of the progress which the King is making.
The improvement in the local condition is so slight that it is often impossible for the doctors to detect any change in the interval between the bulletins.
The cumulative effect, however, of a number of small steps forward makes it possible to say that His Majesty is in a definitely much better position than he was a week ago.

Air of Hopefulness.

Nothing has occurred to check the course of progress so far, and accordingly the doctors are satisfied, whilst there was a distinct air of hopefulness among the Royal Household officials this morning.
The relaxation of anxiety concerning His Majesty is indicated by the fact that the Prince of Wales has gone to his farm near Nottingham and that he went out with the Quorn Hounds in the morning.

Distinctly Favourable.

A later bulletin, issued at 8.30 p.m. states that the very slow progress in His Majesty's local and general condition continues.
This bulletin is regarded as distinctly favourable. It is the first for some little time to note any definite improvement in the King's general condition.
For the first time since it was decided to employ light ray treatment, Dr. Howitt and Woods did not call at the Palace to-night. This does not mean that Ray Therapy is to be discontinued, but merely that it has been interrupted for the time being.—Reuter.

The Pope's Thankfulness.

Rome, Dec. 24.
Addressing the Cardinals who have come to the Vatican to present Christmas greetings, His Holiness the Pope rejoiced in the improvement of the King's condition.
He said:—"We have trembled and prayed for the life of the Sovereign who so graciously came to visit us here, whose Empire is the largest in the world, and where so many millions of Catholics live and prosper. We have trembled and prayed for the life of this Sovereign, who has always showed himself so well-disposed and benevolent towards all these Catholics.
"Now, Divine Providence seems to confirm us in our hope for the King's early return to perfect health."—Reuter.

LOCAL MOTORING SMASH.

DAMAGED CYCLE FOUND NEAR SHEK-O ROAD.

INJURIES INDICATED.

A damaged motor-cycle and bloodstains on a wall beside which the machine lay, on the Shaukiwan-Stanley Road near the junction of Shek-O Road, indicated to a police officer last evening that a serious smash had taken place.
The machine was a brand-new Harley Davidson. Skid-marks on the roadway were traced from the opposite direction, indicating that a car had endeavoured to avoid a collision with the cycle, which ran into a wall near an embankment. Two caps were found on the road beside the machine, from which it is surmised that the person who was driving the machine had a friend who was riding pillion.
The victims appear to have been thrown against the wall and afterwards, to have been taken away in the car.
No report of the accident has been received by the police, and the identity of the victims still remains unknown.
The accident occurred at a spot where a similar mishap occurred in 1922. On that occasion, a party of sailors came to grief through interfering with the driver of a motor car, this causing the car to swerve and run over the embankment. In consequence of that accident, the authorities found it necessary to build a protective wall near the embankment, and it was with this that the motor-cycle concerned in yesterday's mishap collided.

PRINCE'S APPEAL FOR MINERS.

RADIO TALK TO CHRISTMAS GATHERINGS.

CONCRETE AID ASKED.

London, Dec. 25.
An earnest appeal on behalf of the Lord Mayor's Fund for the relief of distress in the mining areas was broadcast by the Prince of Wales from London this evening.
His Royal Highness emphasised that not only were a quarter of a million miners destitute, but three times as many women and children were dependent on them.
The greatest service anyone could render at present was to find employment for as many of these men as possible.
The Prince urged the need of the women and children for proper food and adequate clothing, and said that no Christmas gathering to which he was speaking should break up without making an effort to muster some concrete help for the Fund.—Reuter.

FAMOUS BOTANIST'S DEATH.

LAI D FOUNDATIONS OF RUBBER INDUSTRY.

London, Dec. 24.
The death is announced of Sir William T. Threlson-Dyer, K.C. M.G., C.I.E., at the age of 85 years.
The deceased, who was a well-known research worker, laid the foundation of the rubber industry in the East Indies by sending to Singapore seeds germinated at Kew. His experiments in introducing the East Indian banana strain into the West Indies also had far-reaching effects.
He was born at Westminster and educated at King's College and at Christ Church, Oxford, where he was Hon. Student in 1899. He held several professorships before he became Botanical Adviser to the Secretary of State for the Colonies in 1902, a post which he held for four years. From 1885 to 1905, he was Director of the Royal Botanic Gardens at Kew.—Reuter.

HOME FOOTBALL RESULTS.

CHRISTMAS GOOD FOR HOME TEAMS.

UPSETS AT COVENTRY, STOKE AND BIRMINGHAM.

SOUTHAMPTON'S DRAW

While Christmas Day was a good one for home teams, there were several upsets in the English Football League yesterday, the best performances being the Bolton success at Birmingham and Blackpool's 4-1 victory at Grimsby. Only four teams in the First and Second Divisions gained full points on foreign soil, though several games were drawn.
Scoring was on the low side, the most prolific goal-getters being Blackburn, Hull City and Middlesbrough, all of which pleased their supporters by netting five times.
Southampton, the great drawing side, shared the points with Notts County at Nottingham, an excellent effort. The Saints now have a record of twelve matches drawn in 21 played.
London clubs did well, winning six matches, and losing only two, Chelsea and Charlton getting their points away from home. Millwall dropped an unexpected point, Oldham, the lowly-placed, sharing six goals at New Cross.
The results, as cabled by Reuter, were:

Division I.		
Birmingham	0	Bolton
Blackburn	5	Arsenal
Burnley	3	Liverpool
Durham	3	Leicester
Everton	0	Sunderland
Huddersfield	0	Derby
Leeds	3	Cardiff
Manchester U.	1	Sheffield U.
Portsmouth	3	Villa
* Wednesday	-	Manchester C.
West Ham	1	Newcastle
* Result missing.		
Division II.		
Bradford	3	Swansea
Clapton O.	3	Barnsley
Grimsby	1	Blackpool
Hull	5	Preston N. E.
Middlesbrough	5	Port Vale
Millwall	3	Oldham
Notts C.	1	Southampton
Stoke	0	Chelsea
Tottenham	2	Reading
West Brom.	1	Bristol C.
Wolves	2	Notts F.
Division III (South).		
Bournemouth	3	Exeter
Brighton	3	Brentford
Bristol R.	1	Palace
Coventry	0	Charlton
Fulham	2	Torquay
Luton	2	Norwich
Merthyr	2	Southend
Newport	0	Watford
Plymouth	3	Gillingham
Queen's P.R.	4	Swindon
Walsall	4	Northampton

SOLICITUDE FOR TROTSKY.

MOSCOW NOW SEEKING RECONCILIATION.

Berlin, Dec. 24.
A message from Moscow states that M. Stalin has allowed Trotsky to be sent to South Russia to recover from malaria.
This is interpreted in Russian Communist circles here to be an attempt at a reconciliation with Trotsky, who hitherto has rejected all overtures.—Reuter.

ATTEMPT TO WRECK TRAIN?

BIG STONES ON RAILWAY NEAR FANLING.

TWO MEN ARRESTED.

But for the alertness of the driver, the Kowloon-Canton Railway motor-coach, carrying golfers to Fanling, might have been involved in a very serious mishap yesterday morning.
The coach left Kowloon at 9.06 a.m. and when it was nearing Sheung Shui, travelling at a fast speed, a number of large stones were observed on the line, the driver pulling up just in time. Two men in the vicinity were chased and caught, and we understand, are to be charged in connexion with the incident.
The stones were fairly large ones, though it is of course impossible to say whether the fact of their being placed on the line was a deliberate attempt at train-wrecking, or merely a mad and dangerous prank.
The stones were quickly removed and the coach proceeded to Fanling without further incident.
Enquiring of railway officials this morning, we were informed that the danger is quite frequently met with on the line, though it is very rare that the stones are so big, while the culprits are not usually apprehended.

DEATH OF MR. W. H. EDLEY.

STEAMBOAT COMPANY'S WHARFINGER.

It will be learned with regret, not only by his host of friends in the Colony, but by others in many parts of the world, that Mr. W. H. Edley, the wharfinger of the Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Company, died at the French Hospital at 7 o'clock this morning.
Mr. Edley had been suffering from pleurisy for a considerable period and after being in hospital for some months, proceeded on vacation to Canada, returning only a few weeks ago. It was then thought that he would be able to resume, but further lung trouble necessitated his admission to hospital and his demise occurred following a lengthy period of weakness and general exhaustion.
The deceased was a Canadian by birth and was 53 years of age. After spending his earlier years at sea, he came to the Colony 25 years ago and took up the post which he occupied until recently, never during that period having taken a holiday except day trips to adjacent ports. On several occasions he rendered assistance to Chinese in distress during typhoon blows, doing especially good rescue work in the 1923 disaster. He leaves a wife and a son aged 16 years, to whom much sympathy, especially that of the shipping community, will be extended.

LI CHAI-SUM TO GO NORTH.

WILL MAKE EARLY TRIP TO NANKING.

Canton, Dec. 24.
It is learned that Marshal Li Chai-sum has recently received telegrams from the Central Government urging him to proceed to Nanking to help in solving problems of importance.
In this connexion it is learned that General Chan Ming-shu, the new chairman of the Provincial Government, as well as the high authorities of the various military and civil organizations, are most reluctant to have the Marshal absent at this time as they are most desirous of obtaining his guidance on various questions.
They decided at first to elect General Tang Hsi-chen, Chief of Staff to the Military Headquarters, as the Marshal's representative to Nanking, but the Marshal expressed the opinion that General Tang's services should not be spared during the present time, when strict measures are so necessary for the maintenance of public peace.
Marshal Li has, therefore, decided to proceed to Nanking at the first opportune moment.

PHILIPPINE QUAKE DISASTER.

TIDAL WAVE FOLLOWS BIG SHOCK.

TOWN'S SECOND CRISIS IN FIVE DAYS.

NEARLY WIPED OUT.

Manila, Dec. 24.
The town of Cottabato, on the west coast of the island of Mindanao, has been practically wiped out by an earthquake, which was accompanied by a tidal wave. Up to the present four persons are reported to have been killed and 102 injured.
The damage is very extensive and is estimated at a quarter of a million dollars.—Reuter.
Previous Shock.
Manila papers to hand show that only five days previous to this disaster Cottabato severely suffered, during an earthquake of unusual intensity, believed to be the worst ever experienced in Mindanao Island. This occurred at 7 p.m. on the 19th inst., killing one and injuring numerous persons besides doing general damage to buildings, property and means of communication.
The Weather Bureau reported that the centre of the earthquake was located on the sea floor off the coast of Port Lohu, on the north coast of the Celebes Sea. Its origin was about 1,000 kilometers south of Manila in the Celebes Sea.
The quake was recorded strongly on the seismographic apparatus of the Weather Bureau.

TWO CHRISTMAS DISASTERS.

FRENCH WORKMEN KILLED IN HANGER COLLAPSE.

SWEDISH HOTEL FIRE.

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The hanger covered an area of 4,300 yards square.—Reuter.
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The cavalry was called out to cope with the outbreak, and they succeeded in dislodging the rioters from the railway station, which was the centre of the disturbance.
Order was quickly restored by the mounted forces.—Reuter.

THE REPARATIONS PROBLEM.

AMERICA ASSENTS TO THE BRITISH REQUEST.

COMMITTEE EXPERTS.

Washington, Dec. 24.
The United States Government has assented to the appointment of American experts to serve on the Committee which is to deal with German reparations.
Assent is given on the understanding that the American representatives will be chosen and appointed by the Allied and German Governments.
This news was contained in a statement issued by Mr. F. B. Kellogg, the Secretary of State, after a long interview with President Coolidge.
Sir Esme Howard, the British Ambassador, called on Mr. Kellogg in the morning and informed him, in the name of the six Governments interested in the reparations problem, that they wished to enquire whether the United States Government would agree to American experts participating in the work of the Committee, and, if so, whether the United States Government would be ready to propose the names of such experts.
Sir Esme Howard explained that if the United States Government agreed to this, the experts proposed would be appointed jointly by the Reparations Commission and the German Government, but if the United States preferred to leave the choice of the American experts to the six Powers, the latter would agree on the names of the experts to be invited, who would then be appointed jointly by the Commission and the German Government.—Reuter's American Service.

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CHRISTMASTIDE IN HONGKONG.

HOW THE FESTIVAL WAS SPENT.

LARGE CONGREGATIONS AT THE CHURCHES.

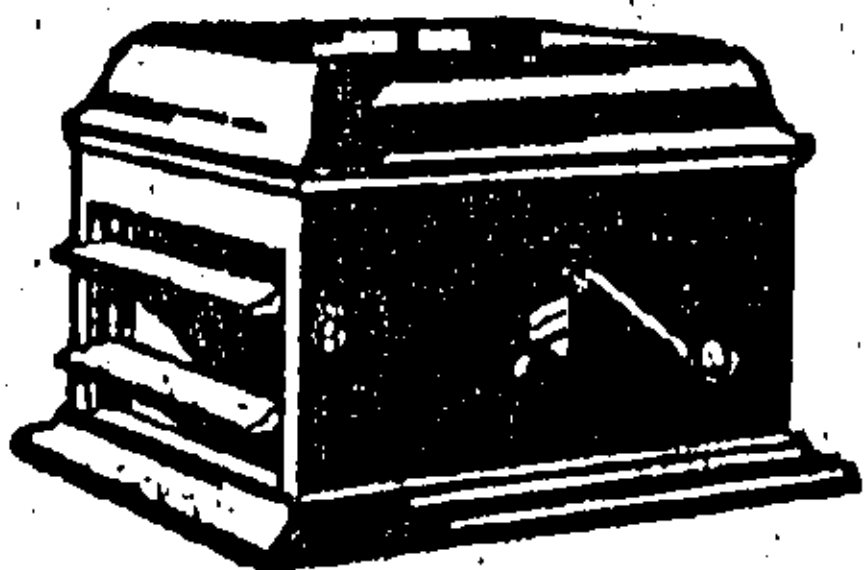
THE ADVENT MESSAGE.

Delightful weather has marked the Christmastide in Hongkong, the relative warmth of Christmas Eve giving place yesterday to more seasonable conditions, which were especially conducive to outdoor exercise.
The holiday observances began on Christmas Eve, when there were special carnival dinner dances at the Hongkong Hotel, the Repulse Bay Hotel, the King Edward Hotel and Lane Crawford's restaurant, whilst a fancy dress dance took place at the U.S.I.C. All these were largely attended, and were marked by much merriment.
Midnight Masses were held at the Roman Catholic Cathedral and in the various Catholic churches, whilst on Christmas morning there were special services at practically all the Protestant churches, these being largely attended.
During Christmas Day, outdoor recreation was general, golf, motoring and walking parties being the principal attractions. For these, the weather was all that could be desired.
On the harbour there were many evidences of the Christmas season. All the naval boats had fir trees at their mastsheads, whilst H.M.S. Stormcloud had a big motto suspended between her masts reading "A Merry Xmas." Several merchant ships, including the Douglas, Indo-China and B.I. craft in port, dressed ship in honour of the occasion.
St. John's Cathedral.
St. John's Cathedral was decorated by members of the Women's Guild for the observance of Christmas Day services, all of which were largely attended. Holy Communion was held at seven o'clock and noon, while at eight o'clock there was Choral Eucharist and Matins at eleven o'clock, when a sermon was preached by the Dean, the Very Rev. Alfred Swann. At this latter service the congregation included His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government, the Hon. Mr. W. T. Southern, C.M.G., and Mrs. Southern, H.E. Major General C. C. Luard and Mrs. Luard, the Bishop of Victoria, and leading residents of the Colony.
Collections were taken for the benefit of the Diocesan schools and orphanages, for which purpose Christmas Day collections have been made since 1869.
Matins consisted of the ordinary morning service with the addition of Christmas hymns. Those who assisted the Dean were the assistant chaplain, the Rev. H. V. Koop, and the Rev. W. T. Featherstone, who read the lessons.
In his sermon, the Dean spoke of the world before the coming of Christ and of the incarnation, which, he said, had brought us nearer to God as a Father; had made us one family as His sons, and had given us power to continue as sons and to learn more and more all that sonship really meant.
The Dean pointed out that the coming of Christ had made a complete change in the world's idea of God who, hitherto, had been regarded as far off, majestic, awful and a taskmaster. Men were even afraid to say His name. Then came the relief which the change of idea brought, as God could now be thought of as a Father, and men as His sons. God was no longer far, but near, and He was no longer a taskmaster but a source of love and spiritual strength. The Dean commented that there were still many people who failed to grasp that idea of God.
Although God was revered as a father of love, He did make demands upon men, but St. Paul showed that God did not leave men alone to meet those demands, but (Continued on Page 12.)

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PUBLIC MONEY.

FINANCIAL VOTES FOR
\$85,734.

The Finance Committee of the Legislative Council at their meeting on Thursday will have before them for approval supplementary expenditure amounting to \$85,734. The following are the more important votes:

Marine Surveyors.

Harbour Department:—Incidental Expenses, Expenses of Assistant Government Marine Surveyors in connexion with Board of Trade Training Course, \$5,600.00.

Provision made in Estimates, \$1,800; Provision made by Supplementary Vote \$4,800; Total \$5,460.

Estimated Travelling and Sub-sistence Expenses of Messrs. T. C. Stiff, W. Sprange and J. Hunter, recently recruited Assistant Government Marine Surveyors in connexion with Board of Trade courses in the United Kingdom.

Course of Study.

Police Force:—Incidental Expenses, \$300.00.

Provision made in Estimates, \$5,000; Provision made by Supplementary Vote, \$400; Total \$5,400.

The vote has already been supplemented to the extent of \$400 in respect of expenses incurred by Mr. T. H. King for a course of study whilst on leave. It is estimated that a further sum of \$800 will be required to meet Crown Agents accounts for Medical Treatment for L.S. A107 T. McMahon who was injured while on duty.

Provisions for Patients.

Medical Department:—Other Charges, 21 Provisions for Patients, \$6,500.00.

Provision made in Estimates, \$118,000; Provision made by Supplementary Vote, \$8,000; Total, \$126,000.

It is regretted that when the previous supplementary vote was asked for the additional supply required was underestimated. As was stated before, the number of patients at Victoria Hospital, Kowloon Hospital and Maternity Block of Government Civil Hospital has increased by over 60%, 25% and 10% respectively.

Wongneichong Nullah.

Public Works, Extraordinary:—17, Hongkong Training Nullah, Reconstruction of Wongneichong Nullah, Section No. 3, from Bowring Canal to Chinese stand, amount required to meet Final Account on completion of Work, \$20,653.00.

Provision made in Estimates, \$75,000.

The estimated cost of this work was \$150,000 and the estimated expenditure in 1927 \$100,000. The work commenced late in 1927 and there was an unexpended balance of \$57,394.47 on the 1927 vote.

Additional work has therefore had to be done this year and the supply asked for is in the nature of a revote.

The above is to be met from savings under head 31, sub-head 19, Reconstruction of Wongneichong Nullah, Section No. 4.

Short Wave Transmitter.

Public Works Department:—Short Wave Transmitter, Cost of W/T Gear in accordance with information received from C/A, \$6,300.00.

Provision made in Estimates, \$7,700.

When the short wave transmitter was ordered from the Crown Agents they reported that Messrs. Marconi quoted £1,120 for a complete set and that their consulting engineer recommended acceptance. The total cost including freight is not yet known but is not expected to exceed \$14,000. The excess (\$6,300) over the vote can be met from savings on sub-heads, the purchase of which is unnecessary owing to a complete set being obtained.

Stores Depreciation.

Kowloon-Canton Railway:—Other Charges, 18, Miscellaneous E-1-7-3 Stores Depreciation, \$2,521.00.

Provision made in Estimates \$100; Provision made by Supple-

PROPERTY SALE.

SHAMSHUIPO LOT CALLS FOR
HIGH BIDDING.

Crown Land was disposed of by auction at the P.W.D. on Monday, when a desirable lot situated at the junction of Tung Chau, and Yau Chau Streets, Shamsuiipo, was put up. Opening at the upset price of \$35,000, the sale was concluded at \$37,400 after spirited bidding.

There was a fair attendance when the sale opened, the lot in question being New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 1193, having an area of 20,000 square feet, held for a period of 75 years from July 1898 at an annual Crown Rental of \$138, at an upset price of \$35,000.

Conditions of sale included the expenditure of \$20,000 in rateable improvements within 24 calendar months and that all scavenging lanes formed; be handed over to the Government free of cost, while the lot was exempted from the provisions of Part II of the New Territories Regulation Ordinance No. 34 of 1910. The purchaser is not allowed to dispose nor assign the lot unless the rateable expenditure previously mentioned is in being.

With minimum bids at \$100 the price went up slowly from the opening, but on reaching \$35,000, raises were speedy up to \$37,000. The sale was finally concluded in favour of Mr. Wong Lu Tung, through Mr. A. G. Hewlett, at \$37,400.

mentary vote, \$27,981; Total, \$28,081.

46 rails of 85 lbs. section weighing 20 tons 18 cwt. 3 qrs. 20 lbs. at \$140.66 per ton—\$2,946.32 which were supplied in 1909-1910, have been condemned on the recommendation of a Board of Survey.

The rails were sold by tender for \$425.18 leaving a balance of \$2,520.14 to be written off.

As no provision has been made in the current Estimates for this depreciation, a Special Vote for this amount is now asked for.

Carvalho Yeo Trial.

Crown Solicitor:—Legal Expenses, \$10,600.00. Provision made in Estimates, \$3,000.

The vote of Legal Expenses will be insufficient, owing to the additional expenses incurred in connexion with the prosecution of Carvalho Yeo.

A Supplementary Vote of \$10,000 is requested to cover the deficit.

Rent Allowance.

175.—24, Miscellaneous Services:—39, Rent Allowance, Asiatic Subordinate Officers, \$7,000.00.

Provision made in Estimates, \$74,000.

Owing to the increased number of officers now drawing rent allowance it has been found that the provision for this service falls short of actual requirements by \$7,000—and a supplementary vote for this sum is requested to cover commitments to the end of the current year.

Resumptions.

Public Works, Extraordinary:—61, Kowloon—P. H. & B. O.—Compensations and Resumptions, compensation in connexion with Exchange K. I. L. No. 888 R. P. to K. I. L. 1928, \$15,000.00.

Provision made in Estimates, \$50,000; Provision made by Supplementary Vote \$20,000; Total, \$70,000.

K. I. L. No. 888 R. P. was surrendered to Government in connexion with the development of the district and a new lot was granted in exchange in August, 1927, one of the conditions of the exchange being that \$25,000 should be paid as compensation in respect of the buildings on the old lot within one month of their removal. The removal has recently been completed. There is a balance of \$11,000 on the vote and a supplementary supply of \$15,000 is requested to enable payment to be made within the stipulated time.

\$5,000 of the above is to be met from savings under Filling in Tidal Flat and cutting down hill between Tai Kok Tsui and Fuk Tsun Heung.



THE INDOOR MAN.

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LOCAL WEDDINGS.

MONDAY'S CEREMONIES AT UNION CHURCH.

The marriage took place at Union Church on Monday of Miss Catherine Thompson Smith, eldest daughter of Mrs. James Smith and the late Mr. James Smith, of Leith, Scotland, and Mr. James Muir of the Chinese Maritime Customs. The bridegroom is the eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. George S.M. Muir of Leith.

The ceremony was conducted by the Rev. F.C. Young, the organist being Mr. Longyear.

The bride's gown was of ivory satin in the medieval style with lace veil, orange blossoms, silver shoes and stockings. Her bouquet was a sheaf of white roses, chrysanthemums and maidenhair ferns.

She was attended by the Misses A. and F. Fowler as bridesmaids, who wore dresses of pale pink tulle trimmed with pale silk net and silver lace. They also had silver shoes and stockings, and their bouquets were old fashioned posies of pink roses in lace holders.

Mrs. H.G.K. Wheeler, the matron of honour, wore a dress of powder blue crepe-de-chine, trimmed with silver fox fur. Her hat was of black lace.

The bride was given away by Mr. H.G.K. Wheeler of the Chinese Maritime Customs, the bridegroom being attended by Mr. John Barnet of the Public Works Department as best man.

After the ceremony a reception was held at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. G. Fowler at East Point Terrace, the bride and bridegroom leaving later for their honeymoon which is being spent at Repulse Bay and Macao. The bride's going away dress was a beige satin ensemble with fur felt hat and gloves, shoes and stockings to match.

The bride's gift to the bridegroom was a gold watch and chain, that from the bridegroom to the bride being a silver trinket set. Gold bracelets constituted the bridegroom's gift to the bridesmaids.

Marsden-Bottomley.

There were two other weddings celebrated at the Union Church the Rev. Young officiating at both. The first was between the Rev. M. Marsden, of the London Missionary Society and Miss Elsie Bottomley who recently arrived from Home. The reception was held at No. 6, Bonham Road.

Gillispie-Gill.

Mr. Phillip Gillispie, a warder of the Victoria Gaol and Miss Christina Miller Gill, who came to the East by the P. and O. Kalyan, were the contracting parties in the second ceremony. After the service, the reception was held at No. 123, Wongneichong Road.

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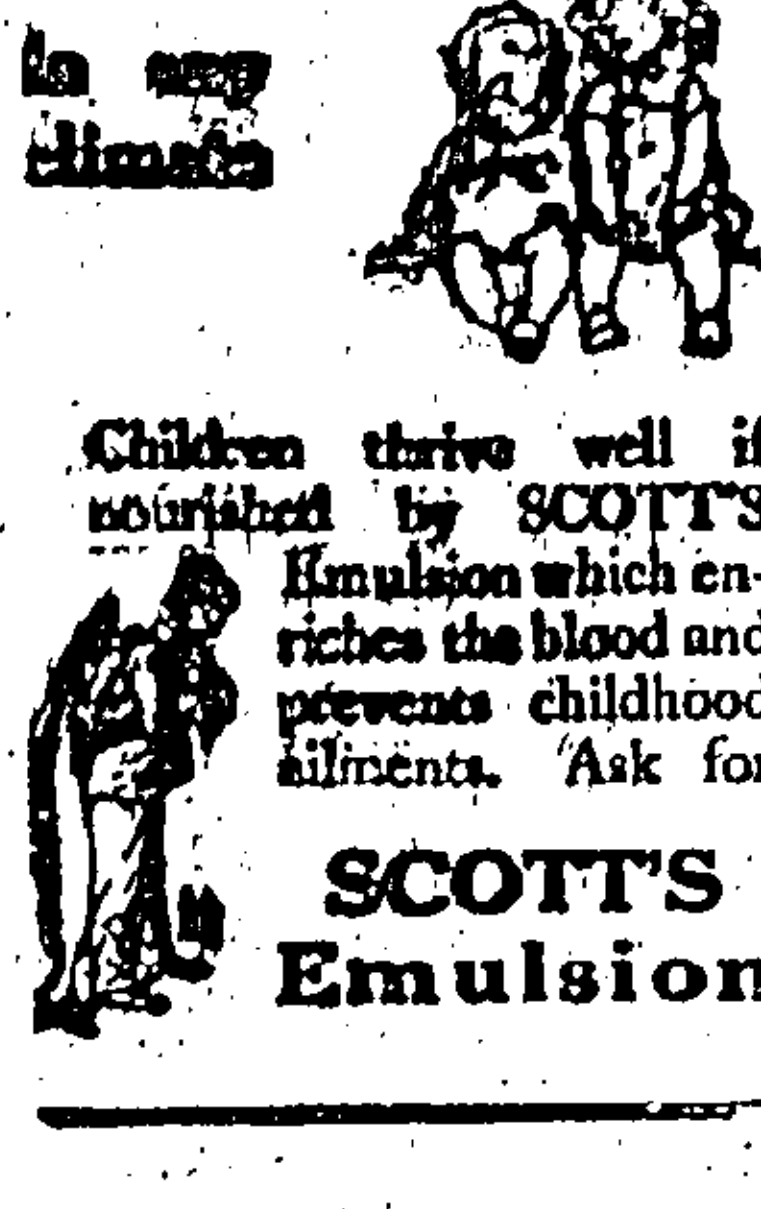
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SCOTT'S
Emulsion



Pictured above is Mr. Van Hoyt and three of his pupils who were successful in the Shanghai Musical Festival in honour of Schubert at which Mr. Harry Ore was one of the principal judges.



Miss Loyi Woo and Miss Alla Shainin, two prize-winners who played at the Shanghai Musical Festival Prize-winners Concert.



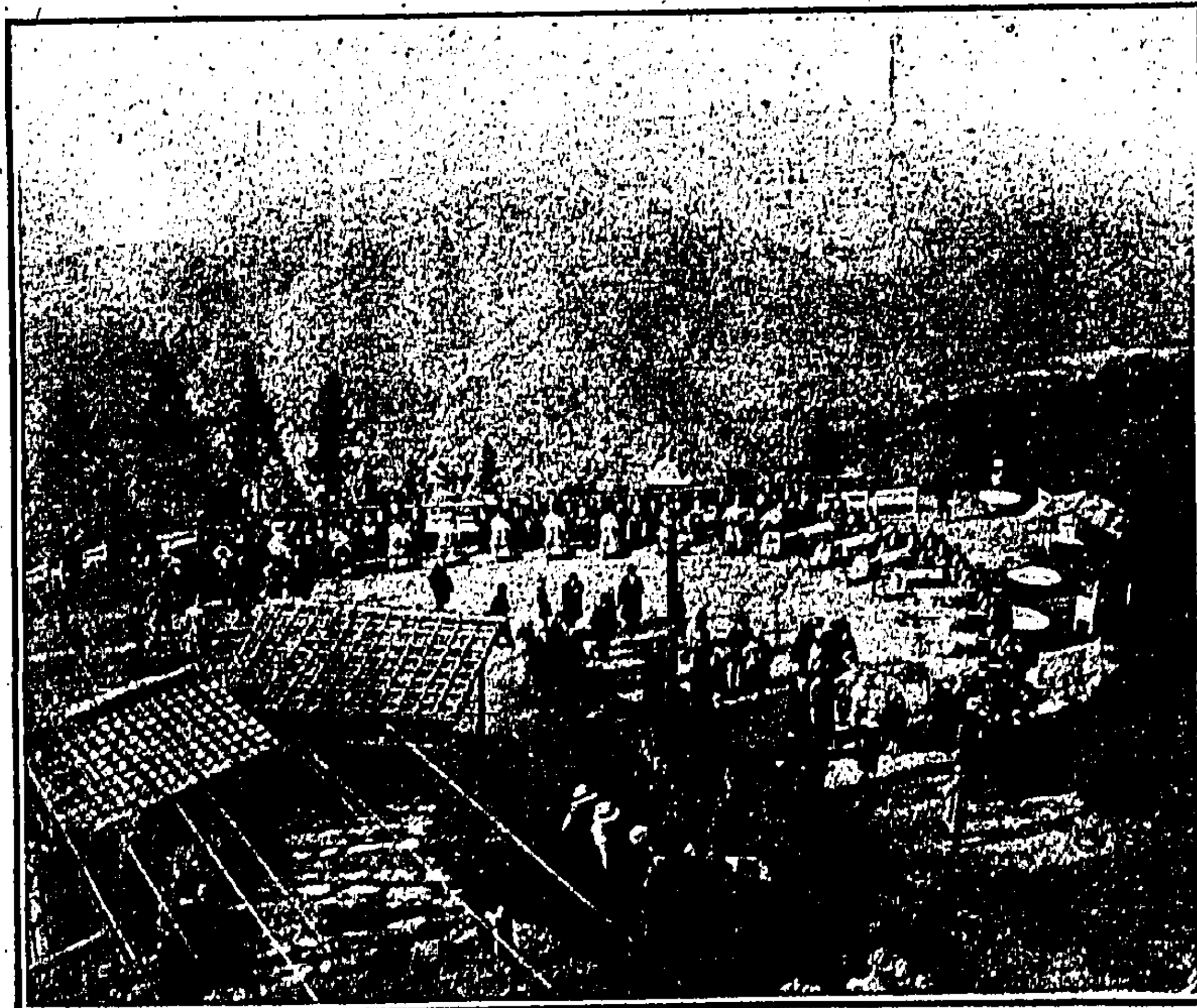
Mrs. Herbert Hoover, fond of dogs and animals, is shown here with Tut, Mr. Hoover's dog, who is to take command of the White House yard after March 4. Tut is a regular member of the Hoover family.



Miss Alicia Calles, who recently became the bride of Jorge Almadia, wealthy young Mexican, is shown above with her husband.



A striking portrait of Mrs. Perbert Hoover, the next "first lady," which emphasizes her tastes for simplicity.



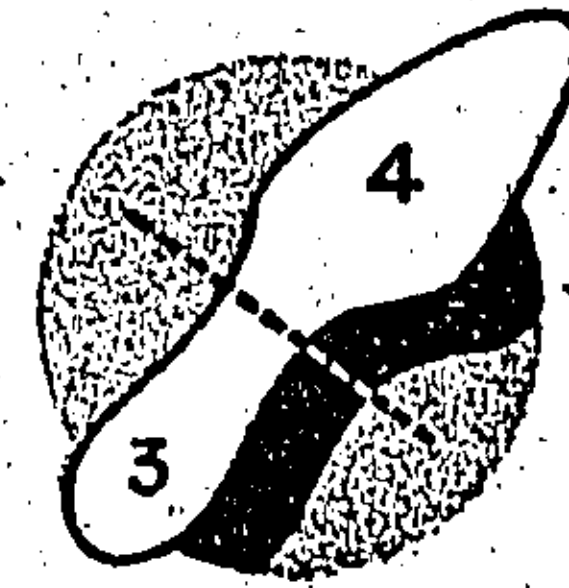
Over 100 foreign representatives who attended the coronation at Kyoto, ascended Mount Hiei by means of palanquins.



The Bramtoco Football Club held its first annual smoker and dinner at the Powhattan Club at Shanghai recently, Mr. Also Leslie being the guest of honour.



Mr. Robert Caldwell, above, alleges attempted bribery in the Teapot Dome trial.



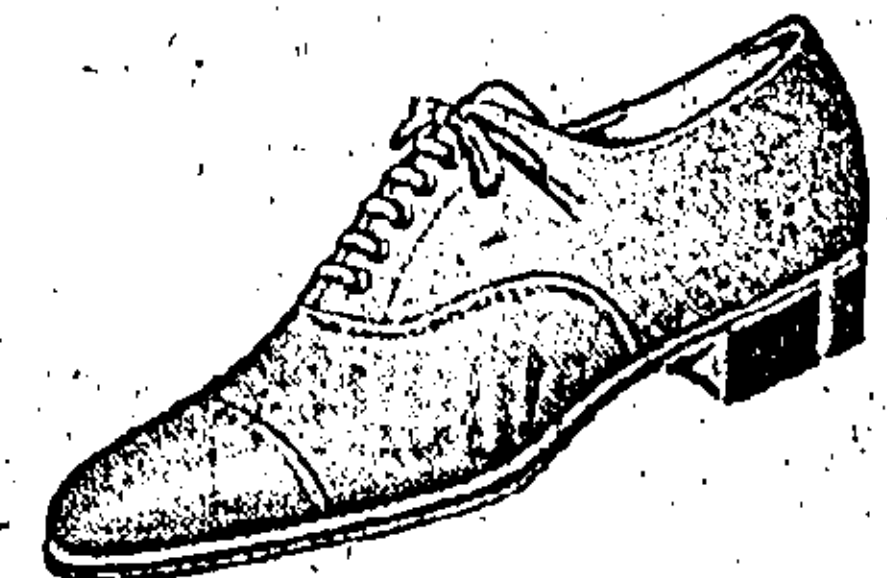
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H. H. LING,
Commissioner,
Public Works Department,
Wuchow, Kwangsi.

BANK HOLIDAYS.

In accordance with ordinance No. 5 of 1912, The Exchange Banks will be closed for the transaction of public business on Tuesday and Wednesday, the 25th and 26th December. (Christmas Holidays).
Hongkong, December 21, 1928.

THE HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

ANNUAL RACE MEETING.

25th, 26th, 27th February and 2nd March 1929.
Draft programmes and entry forms are now ready and may be obtained at the Race Course, Hongkong Club and Causeway Bay Stables.
Hongkong, 15th December, 1928.

PLEASE NOTE.

All firms, shops, trades, professions, associations, etc. are cordially invited to send in full particulars as early as possible for FREE INSERTION in the next issue of LEBS' TRADE & SHOPPING GUIDE OF HONGKONG (An Anglo-Chinese Directory).

The next issue will be greatly improved and much useful information heretofore unpublished will be incorporated in it. SUGGESTIONS FOR IMPROVEMENT WILL BE MUCH APPRECIATED.

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Tuesday, January 8th.

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Lammer's Auctions.

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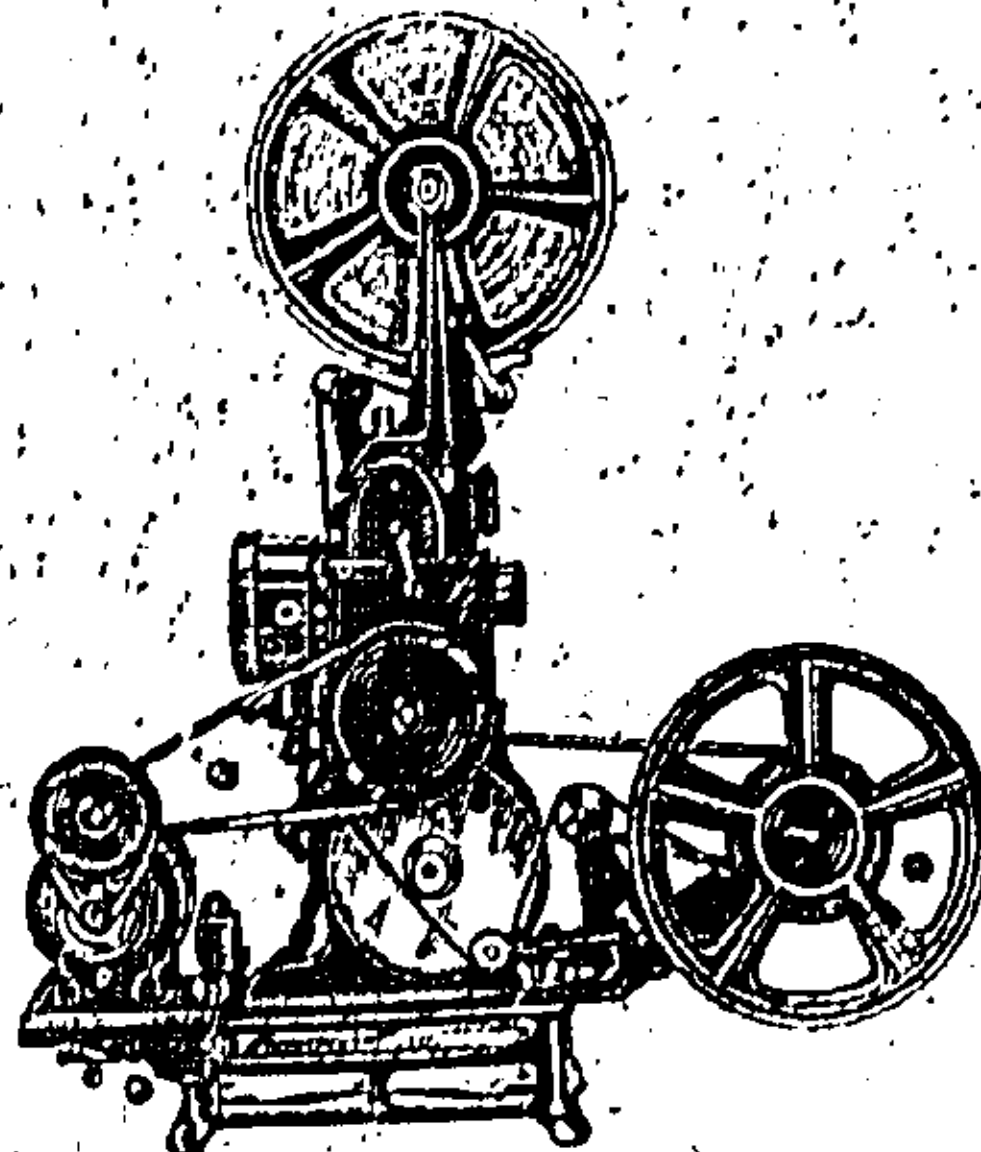
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From	Per	Due
Japan	St. Albans	December 24.
Shanghai and Swatow	Soochow	December 26.
Japan, Shanghai and Europe via Siberia (London 3rd-4th Dec.)	Nagato Maru	December 27.
Japan and Shanghai	Kashima Maru	December 28.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai	Pres. Wilson	December 29.
Europe via Nippon (Letters and papers London 20th Nov.)	Kumsang	December 30.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai	President Taft	December 31.
Manila	President Jackson	December 31.
Japan and Shanghai	Chenonceaux	January 1.
Shanghai	Mantua	January 4.
For	Date and Time.	
Straits and Calcutta	Talamba	Thurs., Dec. 27, 10.30 a.m.
	Parcels	11.30 a.m.
	Letters	11.30 a.m.
Shanghai	Shansi	Thurs., Dec. 27, 1.30 p.m.
Swatow	Hydrangea	Thurs., Dec. 27, 2.30 p.m.
Shanghai and Europe via Siberia	Chekiang	Thurs., Dec. 27, 6 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Hai Ning	Fri., Dec. 28, 2 p.m.
Manila, Australia, and New Zealand via Thursday Island	St. Albans	Fri., Dec. 28, noon.
	Parcels	1.45 p.m.
	Registration	2.30 p.m.
	Letters	(Due Thursday Island 12th January)
Holihow and Halphong	Teau	Sat., Dec. 29, 8.30 a.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. and S. Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Kashima Maru	Sat., Dec. 29, 8.30 a.m.
	K. P. O.	Registration 28, 4.30 p.m.
	Letters	29, 9 a.m.
	G. P. O.	Registration 29, 8.45 a.m.
	Letters	29, 9.30 a.m.
		(Due Marseilles, 27th Jan. 1929.)
Swatow	Hopsang	Sat., Dec. 29, 2.30 p.m.
Manila	Pres. Wilson	Sat., Dec. 29, 6 p.m.
Amoy	Kumsang	Sat., Dec. 29, 6 p.m.
Hankok via Swatow	Kwanchow	Sat., Dec. 29, 6 p.m.
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Swatow, Amoy, and Formosa	Hozan Maru	Sun., Dec. 30, 9 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Haiyang	Tues., Jan. 1, 9 a.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., Canada, C. and S. America and Europe via San Francisco, and Europe via Siberia	Pres. Jackson	Tues., Jan. 1, 10.30 a.m.
	Parcels	Dec. 31, 5 p.m.
	Registration	Jan. 1, 9.45 a.m.
	Letters	10.30 a.m.
		(Due San Francisco 23rd Jan., 1929.)
Saigon, Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. and S. Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Chenonceaux	Tues., Jan. 1, 10.30 a.m.
	K. P. O.	Registration 10 a.m.
	Letters	10 a.m.
	G. P. O.	Registration 11.15 a.m.
	Letters	(Due Marseilles 1st February, 1929.)
Manila	President Taft	Tues., Jan. 1, noon
Japan	Procellaus	Thurs., Jan. 3, 10.30 a.m.
Monbasa, Laurence Marques and South Africa via Singapore	Kamakura Maru	Fri., Jan. 4, 5 p.m.

*Correspondence bearing vessel's name only.

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SUGGESTIONS AND RATES ON APPLICATION.

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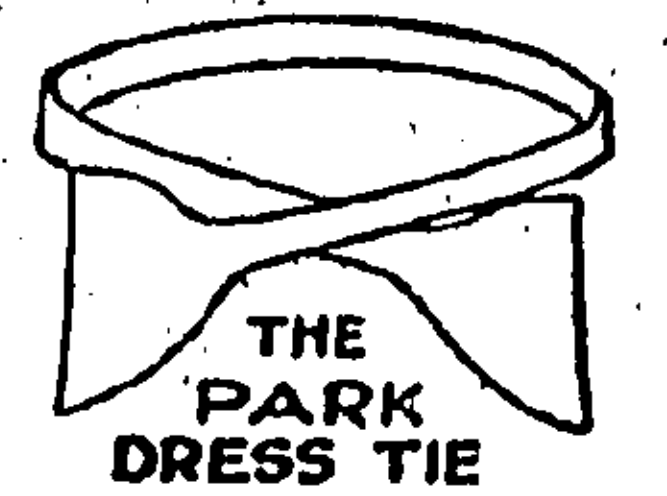
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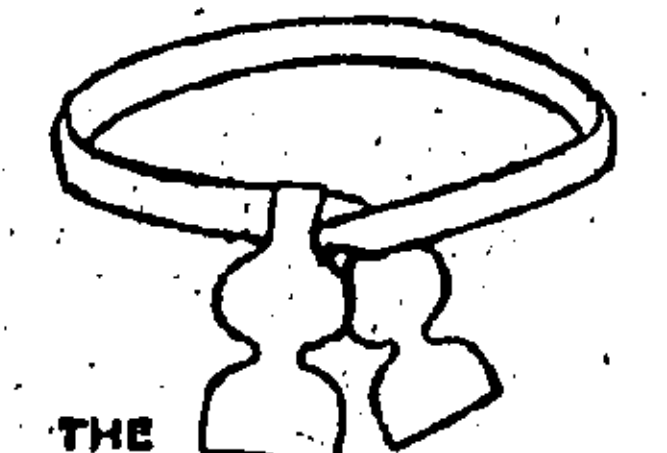
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Smart Shapes IN DRESS TIES



The man who likes to be not merely in the fashion but right on top of it will appreciate the "Park."

It is the latest variation of the ordinary single-knot, single-wing bow, and in the best of taste.



A large thistle shape making up into a smart short bow which admirably suits the present fashion in winged collars—it is dignified and smart.

These Ties should be ordered in accord with size of collar worn.

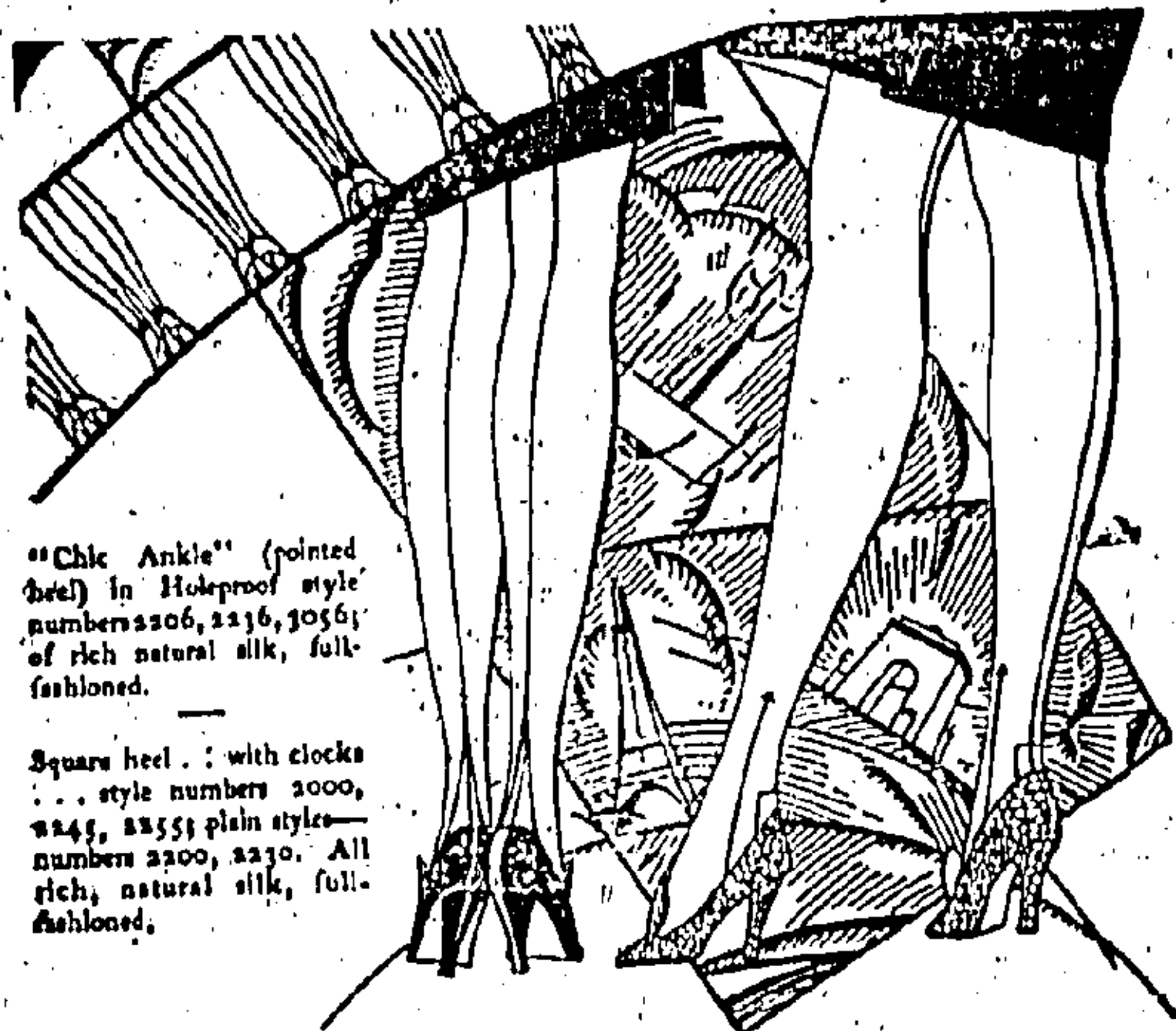
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Collectors Specially Invited.



When Smart Women Meet
EXQUISITE gowns... smart shoes
...and of course, Holeproof Silk
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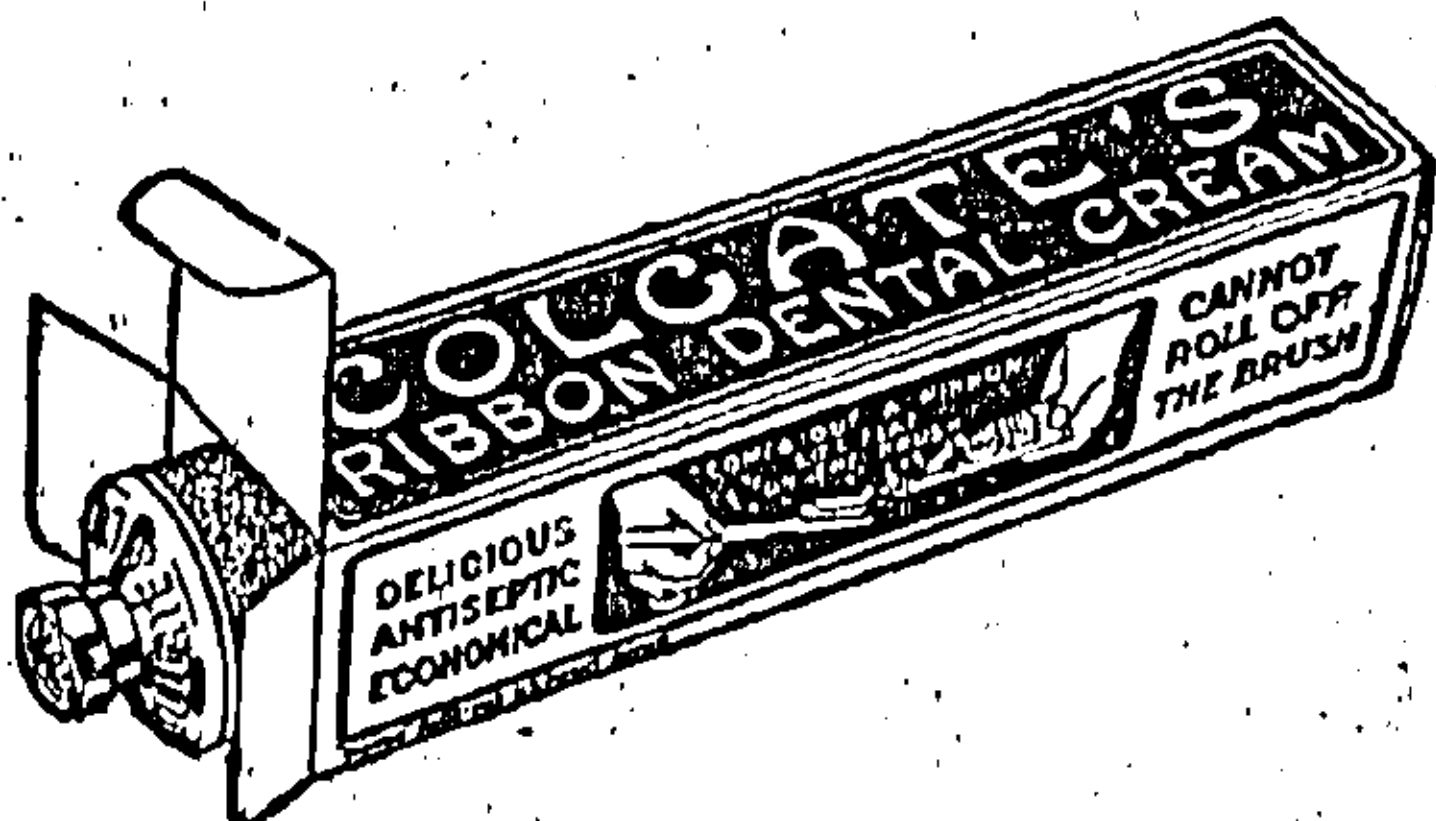
In Holeproof Hosiery you will find the slender
isling "Chic Ankle" (pointed heel)... fashions latest
whim, as well as the smart square heel.

No wonder women, who seem always to be in tune
with Fashion's newest caprice, select Holeproof!...
Lucile of Paris creates the colour with each slight
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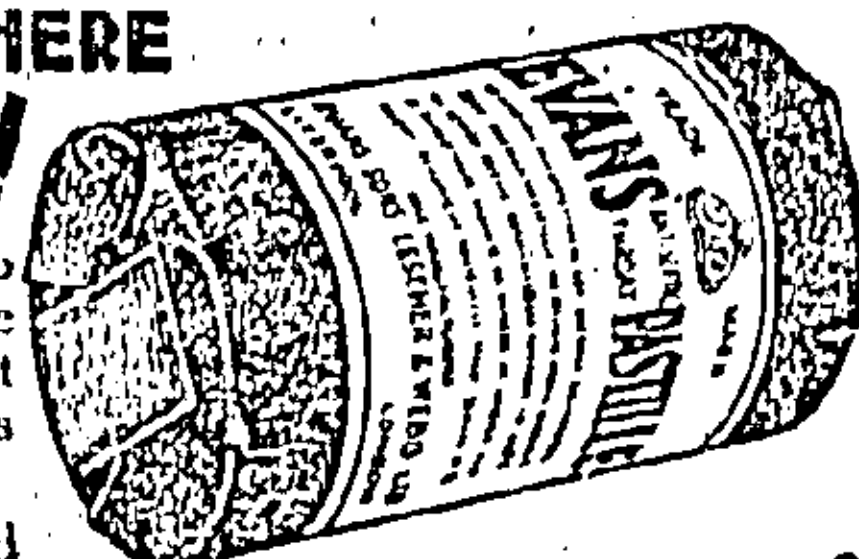
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EVANS' PASTILLES go
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Studio, Ice House St. Branch 7, Beaconsfield Arcade.

WOMAN'S WORLD FOR OUR LADY READERS.

Coloured Lights.

MAKE A ROOM COSY AND
WELCOMING.

Now that the winter evenings
are here we are all thinking about
making our homes cheerful places,
in which to spend our leisure
hours. So many homes that look
charming by daylight seem quite
lifeless by artificial light. Pro-
bably their owners do not realise
how easily this can be remedied.
Half an hour's consideration of
the lighting of a room can often
work miracles at the cost of only
a few shillings, and it is just as
possible to express one's taste in
lighting as in decoration.

The other day, for instance, I
changed all the ordinary clear
lamps in my sitting-room for flame-
coloured lamps, and a friend who
called that evening actually
thought I had had the room re-
decorated. I was astonished my-
self at the difference that the soft,
warm light made. Since then I
have tried other experiments with
coloured and "pearl" lamps, and I
have discovered that the most
fascinating variety of effects can
be obtained without even having
to change my old lampshades.

The warm colours—orange, yel-
low, and red are the best, I think,
they make a room look cosy and
welcoming, but sometimes a con-
trasting touch of blue or green
light can be used to great effect.

If you feel dissatisfied with any
of your rooms, or if they seem less
effective in the evening than in the
daytime, try a few experiments
with the lighting before you make
any more drastic changes. You
will probably be as delighted as I
was to find what wonderful things
can be done.

S. M.



The newest interpretation of the useful two-piece suit
is exemplified in the model in green and brown light-
weight tweed. The bodice, which is attached to the pleat-
ed skirt in deep points, is in beige ottoman silk, a little
embroidery in brown and green bringing it into line with
skirt and coat. The simplest of afternoon gowns is car-
ried out in patterned crepe de chine showing a design in
shaded brown tints upon a parchment-coloured back-
ground.

Our Charming Girls.

SECRETS WOMEN NEVER
TELL.

Where are all those charming
girls we write and talk so much
about?

One might imagine, from the
way in which the word is gener-
ally used, that charm is mainly
a matter of looks. Yet when we
try to decide in our own minds
who is the most charming among
our friends we seldom stop at the
most beautiful.

There is Sybil, for example;
with her glorious hair, classical
features, shoulders, Venus might
envy, shapely legs, slim ankles,
small feet, and eloquent hands.
Everything perfect, in fact. But
is she really as charming as she
looks?

Charm may be the richer when
found in a beautiful home but it
does not depend on outward form
for its expression. Nor are beauty
and charm inseparable.

Then there is Mabel, honours
graduate, of whom great things
are expected. Nothing of the
"blue stocking" about her, either;
for erudition has not spoiled her
love of sport. She makes us go
"pull out" at tennis, and is a good
loser. With all the fine qualities
of the unconscious, healthy-
minded girl, and heaps of good
looks to boot, has she half her
mother's charm?

Oscar Wilde said there were
only two kinds of women, the
plain and the coloured. Most of
us will agree that there are others,
the charming who beggar descrip-
tion.

The Bloom of Youth.

In "What Every Woman Knows,"
Barrie says of charm, "It's a sort
of bloom on a woman. If you
have it, you don't need to have
anything else; if you don't have it,
it doesn't much matter what else
you have."

From this bloom it is that there
springs that rare, undying friend-
ship between women, and the love
of men for women much older
than themselves. It is distin-
guished from the bloom of youth,
which exercises quite a different
attraction. And only in very rare
instances is it the concomitant of
youth.

Some women discover its secret
sooner than others. They are of
the quiet type, rare in this age,
who are wise enough to know the
difference between happiness and
the ceaseless chase after pleasure
round the corner. They early
learn the art of reflection.

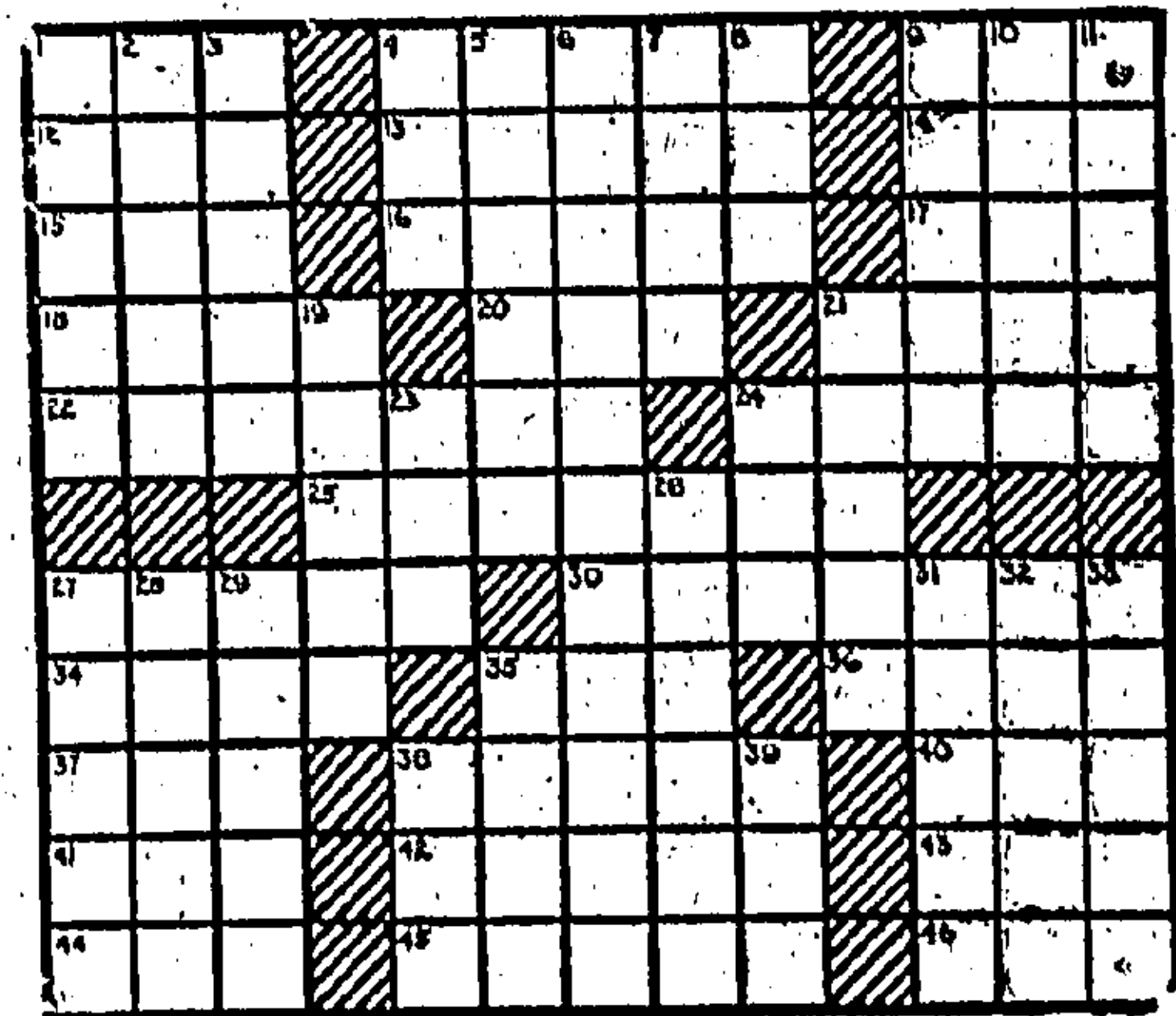
It is held in greater store be-
hind Eastern veils than beneath
the paints and powders of the
West. The weakly occupant of an
invalid couch, with whom we love
to laugh and talk, knows more of
its power than many a sparkling
society dame.

What it is or whence it comes
are secrets women never tell. Men
cannot even guess its source. But
they know with unerring instinct
just where it is to be found. And
experience teaches them to look
away from the alluring frolic-
someness of youth.

For no girl is really charming
until she has passed her thirtieth
year. And by that time, if ever
she has had any pretensions to
charm at all, she is a woman
mellowed in the discovery of a
charming secret.

DOUGLAS HOWARD.

OUR CROSSWORD PUZZLE.



Horizontal

- 1 Vehicle.
- 4 Starting bar in an engine.
- 9 Cry of a crow.
- 12 Kimono sash.
- 13 Small green or black rellish.
- 14 Striped camel's hair cloth.
- 15 Limb.
- 16 Stopped.
- 17 Rodent.
- 18 A modley.
- 20 Fox.
- 21 To relieve.
- 22 To remedy.
- 24 To come in.
- 25 Consecrated.
- 27 Devotional watching.
- 30 Contrary to law.
- 34 To eject.
- 35 Eye tumour.
- 36 Part of a pedestal.
- 37 Projection of a lock.
- 38 Two passenger closed automo-
bile.
- 40 Legume.
- 41 Era.
- 42 Command.
- 43 Unit of work.
- 44 Directed.
- 45 Fawls.
- 46 To observe.

Vertical

- 1 Yellow.
- 2 The white poplar.
- 3 Sift.
- 4 To droop as the ears.

Monday's Solution.

LOWELL HEEHAN
OREAU AURAL AGO
NAPS CEMPIER
CATAT F BARD
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KEATS YEARS

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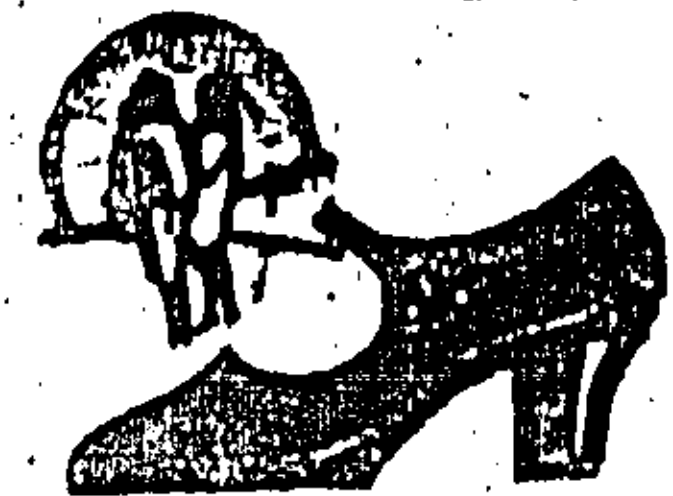
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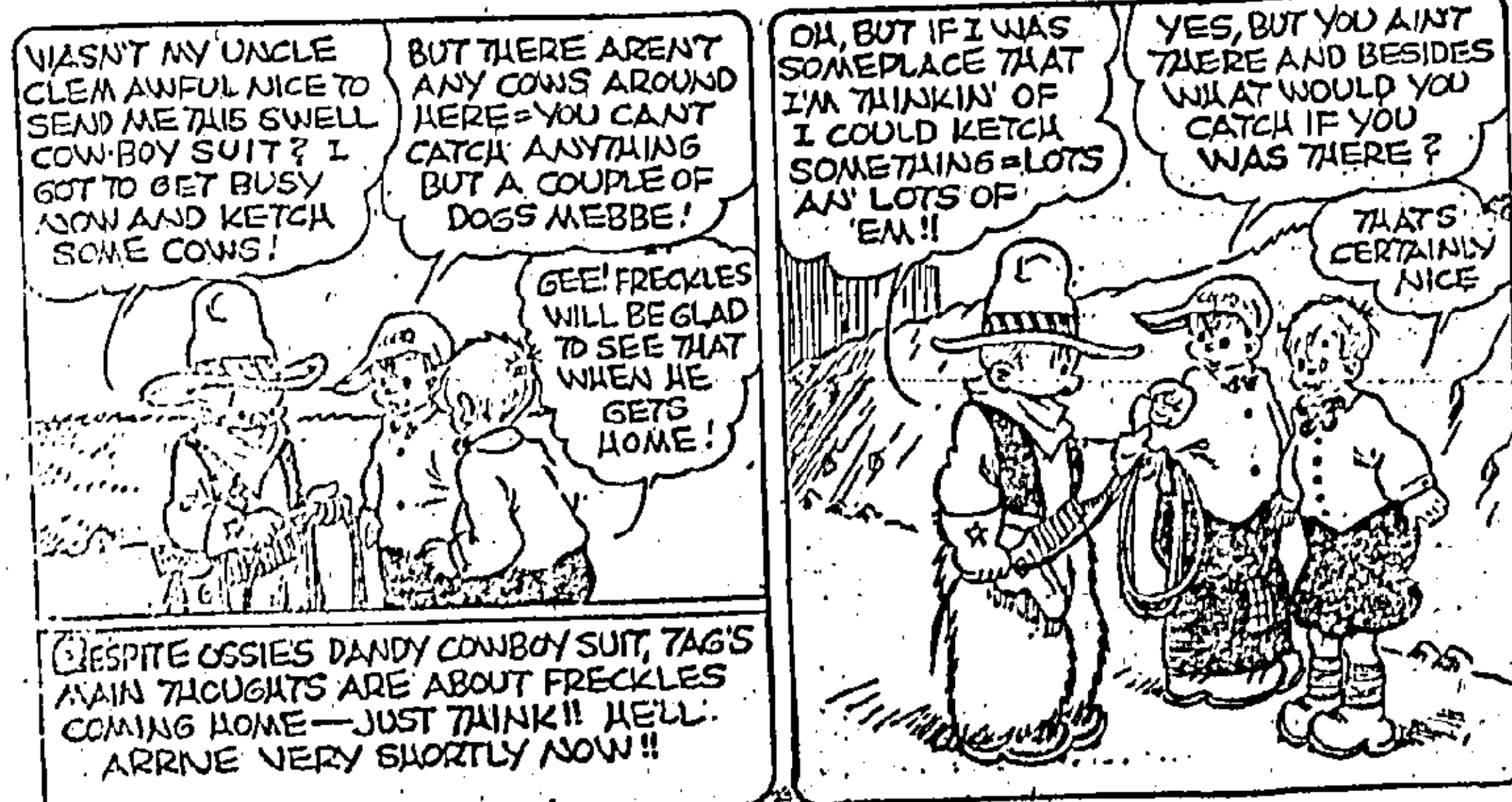
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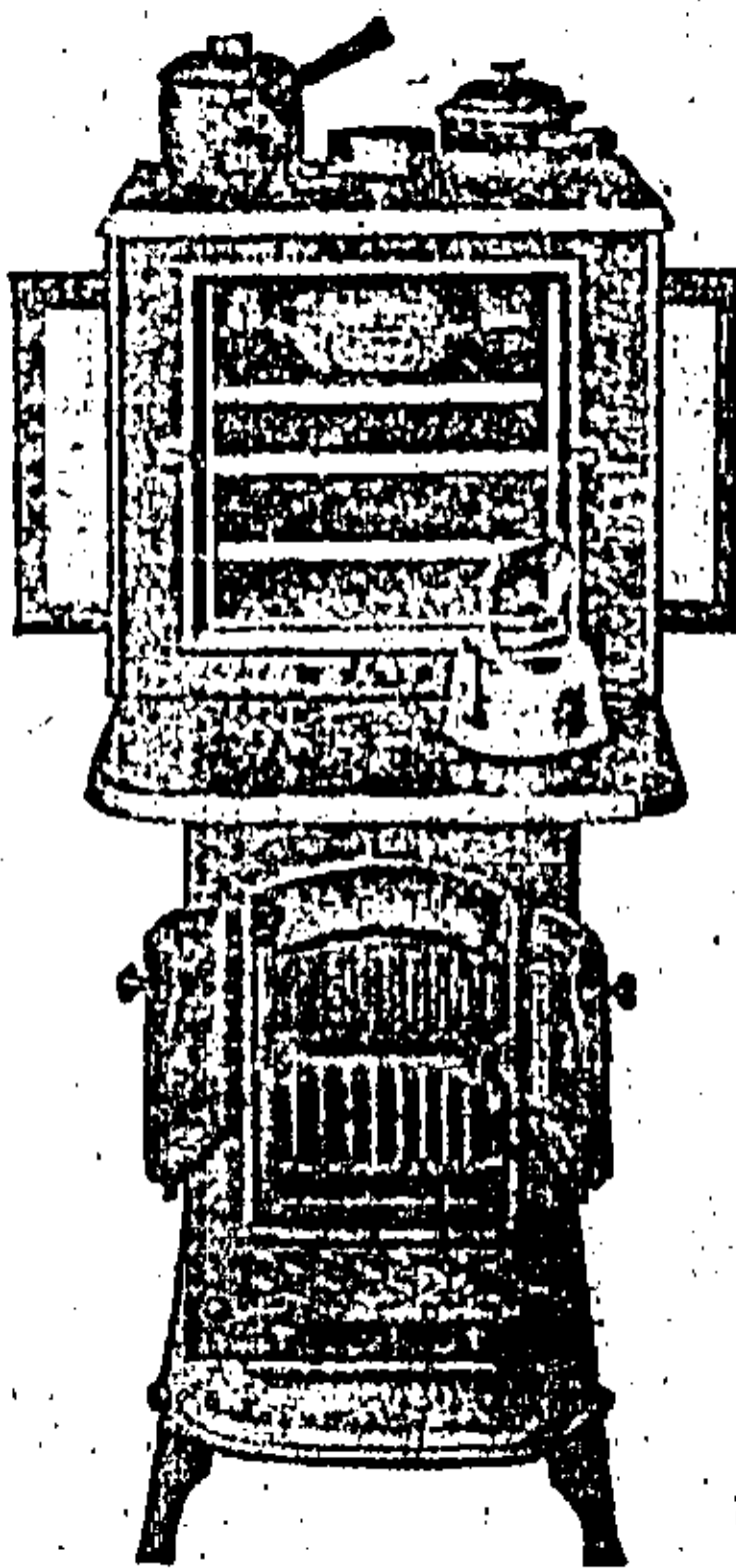
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CHITTENDEN.—At the French
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ber, 1928, to Mr. and Mrs. V.
Chittenden, a daughter.

**The
Hongkong Telegraph.**

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 26, 1928

LOOKING AHEAD.

Future possibilities are con-
jured up by the announcement that
the China Light and Power Com-
pany is on the eve of concluding
an agreement with the Govern-
ment for the supply of electricity
to the New Territories. It is true,
as Mr. Shewan stated in discus-
sing this information, that the
population of the New Territories
is at present a scattered one;
hence it is not expected that the
project can be made a paying pro-
position right off; but there would
seem good grounds for the belief
that in time this extension of the
sphere of the Company's activities
will prove a profitable source of
revenue. That electricity would
prove a great boon to the people
of the New Territories there can
be no doubt, for to-day they have
to rely on the modest illumination
provided by kerosene lamps, whilst
it is only reasonable to assume
that in the days to come
there should be a considerable de-
mand for power if there is to be
that industrial development on the
mainland which some of our op-
timists forecast.

In considering such matters as
these, we must learn to take the
long view and endeavour to pic-
ture to ourselves the possibilities
which the future holds. When
we bear in mind that the total
population of the Colony, at the
time it came into British occupa-
tion some eighty odd years ago,
was only about five thousand, and
that in the meantime it has grown
to close on a million, we get some
idea of the progress which has
been made during that compar-
atively short period. In those ear-
ly days, Hongkong Island was in-
habited mainly by fisherfolk and
small agriculturists, scattered
about in a score of little hamlets.
To-day, Hongkong occupies a posi-
tion in the very forefront of the
world's shipping ports. Such has
been the result of British enter-
prise and perseverance. The other
day, on the occasion of the open-
ing of the Peninsula Hotel, His
Excellency Mr. Southern spoke
of the courage and optimism of

our predecessors being still re-
flected in the spirit of the present
generation, and we feel that the
announced intention of one of our
leading Companies to get ready
to extend to the New Territories
the benefits of modern means of
light and power may be taken as
further evidence of the fact that,
as His Excellency so aptly put it,
on the occasion referred to, the
greatness of the Colony is in the
future and not the past. If the
progress of the Colony as a whole
has been remarkable, the same can
be said with added force of Kow-
loon, where, in the space of thirty
years, there has sprung up a big
and prosperous district which
would be a source of the utmost
surprise to old residents were
they to return to the Colony and
see what has been accomplished.
In this connexion, we have only
to remember the tremendous
growth in the demand for elec-
tricity which has taken place since
the China Light and Power Com-
pany began its activities on the
mainland to gain some comprehen-
sion of the possibilities which lie
ahead.

We lay stress on the new de-
velopment foreshadowed by Mr.
Shewan, not so much for what it
is in itself, but in order to show
that the spirit of enterprise and
progress is still with us, and as
proof of the fact that there are
amongst the business men of
Hongkong many who have an un-
wavering faith in the future of
the Colony. That this faith will
be justified by future development
and expansion, we have not the
slightest doubt. And every con-
crete example of that belief and
that confidence is most assuredly
to be welcomed.

The Reparations Committee.

France and Germany, it is an-
nounced, have agreed upon a for-
mula for the committee of finan-
cial experts which will draw up
proposals for the complete and
final settlement of the reparations
problem, and the other interested
Powers having assented, there
seems no reason why a start
should not be made early in the
New Year. Nothing intricate is
involved at this stage of the pro-
ceedings. Each country will ap-
point two experts, the only real
stipulation being that they shall
be independent experts possessing
international reputation and not
bound by instructions from their
governments. The most impor-
tant move concerns the United
States, since it is realised that the
participation of American mem-
bers is eminently desirable, if not
absolutely essential. This point
is stressed by Paris and it is
gratifying to learn that the U.S.
Government agrees to American
experts being appointed. Under
the Dawes plan, Ger-
many's maximum liability is
not fixed, and she is con-
vinced that she cannot undertake
to pay in the currencies of her
creditors anything like the annual
figure of 2,600,000,000 gold marks
for which she is now liable, and
also meet the interest and sinking
fund on the private loans she has
lately contracted in the United
States. France demands sufficient
to pay for the restoration of her
devastated regions and her debts
to Britain and the United States,
while Britain quite logically
stands by the Balfour Note, which
means that she can only relieve
Germany or her former allies to an
extent that she may in her side
be relieved by the United States.
Furthermore, British policy has
laid it down that no appeal to the
United States for reduction shall
be made, or implied. America,
in a dominating position, declines
to assent to any proposition which
involves merging reparations and
inter-allied debts, or considering
them as one, and it seems extre-
mely unlikely at this juncture that
the problem will be assisted to a
solution from this end. In view
of the fundamentals of the inter-
national situation, it would seem
that it does not follow necessarily
that an agreement by the commit-
tee of experts will satisfy all
parties. But it can at least offer
a real opportunity for constructive
statesmanship.

Hongkong Police Reserve Or-
ders by the Hon. Mr. E. D. C.
Wolfe, C.M.G., Captain Superin-
tendent of Police, state that Con-
stable R218 Ghulam Mohamed of
the Indian Company has been
granted 8 months' leave of ab-
sence from the Colony, commenc-
ing December 22nd.

FATHER XMAS GIVES A PARTY.

Joyce was alone in the house.
She was sitting on the hearthrug in
front of the dining-room fire,
reading a favourite book. Not a
sound was to be heard except the
ticking of the clock on the man-
tepiece, the crackling of the fire,
and the breathing of Pat—the
Irish terrier—as he lay asleep be-
side her; but Joyce was too full
of excitement to feel any fear or
loneliness. It was Christmas Eve!
That was why she was feeling so
excited. She had bought all her
presents and packed them neatly.
But had got ready the stockings
she would hang up before she went
to sleep. She had helped her
mother to decorate the house with
holly and mistletoe, and sent
Christmas cards to her friends.
Now all she had to do was to wait
until her mother and her brothers
—John and Ronnie—returned from
shopping and her father came
home to tea.

She was just thinking about the
postman and wishing he would
come soon, when the front door
bell rang loudly. It was the post.
"There's a letter for you," said
the postman, as he handed her a
large pile of envelopes. "Merry
Christmas to you!" And away he
hurried down the path to the gate.

Joyce and Pat returned to the
dining-room, and Joyce hung her-
self down on the rug again to open
her precious letter. She did hope
it was an invitation to a party,
because she had not had one yet,
and the boys had been invited to
three! But when she opened the
envelope it was not an invitation
to a party, but a postal order for
five shillings which fluttered out.
Five shillings all for herself—a
Christmas present from an aunt—
was such a lovely gift that she set-
tled herself comfortably with her
head against an armchair to think
what she would do with it. She
closed her eyes so that she could
think more clearly.

Suddenly a noise on the hearth
made her jump. It was not caused
by falling coal, but by a funny little
man who was knocking on the
fender. He was only as tall as a
poker, and was dressed as a post-
man, except that his uniform was
scarlet, with bands of dark green.
In his hand he carried an enormous
gilt-edged envelope. He advanced
towards Joyce, bowed low, and
handed her the envelope. Hesitat-
ingly she opened it, and this is
what she read:—

"Father Christmas requests the
pleasure of Miss Joyce Black's com-
pany at a party to be held im-
mediately at Noel Hall, the North
Pole, R.S.V.P."

"Oh!" cried Joyce. "Is this
really for me? How can I get to
the North Pole?"

"That can easily be arranged,"
answered the postman. "Will you
come?"

"Thank you very much. Yes,
please," said Joyce, anxious to be
polite and feeling very bewildered.

The postman disappeared, and in
his place stood a strange old woman
wearing a very large cloak, from
under which she pulled a gleaming
silver frock.

"Put this on," she told Joyce,
"and this," as she handed her a
coat and cap of soft white fur. "We
must hurry, or we shall be late."

"I must have become smaller, like
Alice," thought Joyce, as she slip-
ped on the dress and coat which
fitted her perfectly, and hurried
with the old woman to the front
door. Outside stood a sledge
drawn by six reindeer.

"How simply gorgeous!" cried
Joyce. "I have never seen a rein-
deer before. Won't the boys be
surprised!"

Swiftly the reindeer ran along
the road, and then they soared up
and up along a smooth white path
which seemed to lead right up to
the moon. On and on they went,
and all around them lay the sky,
spangled with stars. At last Joyce
found herself in a pure white land
which was lit by the bright clear
light of the moon. The sledge
stopped, and Joyce and the old wo-
man got out and walked up a lot of
steps into a huge palace of white
marble. At the door stood Father
Christmas. Joyce recognised him
instantly by his red coat and long
white beard.

"Welcome to Noel Hall," said
he, as he shook her hand. "You
are just in time for the party."

Very soon Joyce, in her silver
frock, joined the other guests in
the ballroom, which was lit by
little gold and silver stars. A
band of holly sprites was playing
a dance tune, and some beautiful
ladies dressed in green, with
pearls round their throats, were
persuading the guests to begin
dancing.

"Those are the mistletoe
fairies," said a voice near Joyce.
"Shall we dance this?"

So Joyce found herself dancing
with a very handsome person
dressed in white and gold, whom
she decided must be Prince Char-
ming. She danced on and on and
did not get tired, but at last the
band stopped and a bell was rung.

"Supper," said her companion.
"Let us go in together."
They had most lovely things
for supper—mince pies, plum

DAY BY DAY.

A WISE MAN IN HIS HOUSE SHOULD
FIND A WIFE GENTLE AND COUR-
TEOUS OR NO WIFE AT ALL.—*Euripi-*
des.

Six Bills are down for second
reading at a meeting of the Legisla-
tive Council to be held on Thursday.

Mr. V. Rupchand cables from
Hyderabad wishing all his
friends and customers a Merry
Christmas.

The Empress of Canada which
left Hongkong on Nov. 28th, ar-
rived at Plymouth on the after-
noon of December 22nd.

The silk forwarded from Hong-
kong by the Empress of France
on the 28th November arrived in
New York (St. John's Park) on
the 19th December, having been
21 days in transit.

Among passengers leaving by the
Blue Funnel s.s. Hector for Home
yesterday were Capt. and Mrs. J. E.
Stanley, Mr. L. F. Hopkinson, Dr.
Li Shu-pui, Dr. Chua Boon-teck,
Lt-Comdr. A. L. Nokes, R.N., Mrs.
A. H. Gillingham and Capt. and Mrs.
H.M.A. Day.

The weekly bulletin of the Mar-
itime Health and Quarantine Service
of Egypt, published at Alexandria,
records that during the week ended
September 22 there were 1,180
cases of, and 526 deaths from,
bubonic plague and 6,189 cases of,
and 3,518 deaths from, cholera in
British India.

Sir Henry Gompertz, Chief Jus-
tice of the F.M.S., who is proceed-
ing home on retirement, was en-
tertained to a banquet at Kuala
Lumpur last week by the Selangor
Bar Association. Mr. E. A. S.
Wagner, who presided, proposed
the toast of the King, the Sultan,
and of Sir Henry Gompertz. He
dwelt on the sterling qualities of
the Chief Justice, referring to Sir
Henry's courtesy, his legal attain-
ments and remarkable kindness.
The Chief Justice expressed his re-
gret at his forthcoming departure
and thanked the members of the
Bar for the support he had re-
ceived from them during his tenure
of office.

puddings, jellies, trifles, choco-
lates and fruit—and the tables
were decorated with little Christ-
mas-trees, lit by dozens of colour-
ed candles, and with piles of
Christmas crackers. The holly
sprites and the mistletoe fairies
waited on the guests, among whom
Joyce saw Red Riding Hood, Cin-
derella, and the Sleeping Beauty,
who evidently had only just woken
up. Jack the Giant-killer was
there too, but not the Giant. She
recognised Little Snowwhite and
the Tin Soldier, Alice and the Mad
Hatter, and many others she knew
quite well. Seated round the
table she saw many beautiful,
splendidly-dressed dolls, lots of
Teddy bears, furry dogs, rabbits
and cats, and, of course, Felix.

"Why are all these here?" she
asked her companion.

"They are to accompany Father
Christmas on his visits to the
chimneys of his friends on the
Earth," replied Prince Charming.
"He always gives a party before
he sets out on Christmas Eve.
Listen, he is going to speak."

Father Christmas made a
speech, and wished all his guests
"A Merry Christmas." Then there
was a lot of cheering, and the
holly band began to play. Dances
were given by some dainty snow-
flakes and pretty moonbeams, and
songs were sung by some Polar
bears.

Joyce felt someone touch her
arm. She turned, and there was
the strange little old woman.

"Come along," said she.

So Joyce said good-bye to Prince
Charming, and followed her. A
few minutes later, clad in her
snow furs, she was seated in a big
sledge into which a number of
frost goblins were packing huge
sacks of toys. Then came Father
Christmas and seated himself be-
side her.

"I am going your way," he told
her, "so I will drop you at your
door."

"Thank you so much, Father
Christmas," answered Joyce. "It
has been a lovely party. I'll
never forget it never."

Off they were at a terrific speed
down the white hill to the earth.
The sky grew dark around them.
Joyce shut her eyes for a minute,
and when she opened them she
found herself sitting on the
hearthrug in the dining-room.
There was a noise in the chimney.
"Goodbye, Father Christmas,"
shouted Joyce.

A moment later her father, mo-
ther and brothers arrived all to-
gether.

"Oh! Mummy," cried Joyce.
"I have had the loveliest adven-
ture. I must tell you all about
it."

The Very Idea!

Mr. Studdert Kennedy (Wood-
bine Willie) prefers to preach in
semi-darkness, as he says that he
finds it an aid to concentration.

At St. Edmund's, the famous
Wren Church in Lombard Street,
the lights are turned out as Mr.
Kennedy ascends the pulpit, leav-
ing only a glimmer which reveals
a Rembrandt-like figure of the
popular preacher, in his white sur-
plice and scarlet hood, accentuat-
ing his forceful eloquence with
unlifted hands.

The congregation finds the dim
religious light an aid to concentra-
tion. Neither faces nor millinery
can have disturbing effects!

Under the hanging mistletoe,
The homely spinster stands,
And stands, and stands, stands,
And stands, and stands, and
stands.

Some of the latest schoolboy
howlers:
The functions of the skin are to
prevent us looking raw.

The masculine of Sulfana is
rain.

The comparative and superlative
of ill are:—Positive, ill; compar-
ative, worse; superlative, dead.

The present and future of drink
are:—Present, he drinks; future,
he will be drunk.

The plural of pillow is bolster.

The three genders are:—Mascul-
ine, man; feminine, woman;
neuter, corpse.

The chief imports of Canada are
emigrants.

Asked, the difference between
foot and feet, one young hopeful
replied:—One foot is a foot, and
a lot of foots is a feet.

Man, at Bow County Court,
London—All roads lead to the
mortuary.

Willenden Magistrate—Why did
your boy leave his work—Mother
—Fed up, sir.

If some men were as big as they
seem to think they are, their tailor
bills would bankrupt them.

When a man is in trouble he
believes a good many things that
he would doubt at any other time.

Mr. Cairns, Thames Magistrate
—The Thames Police Court exists
to make married people happy by
granting separations when they
cannot agree.

A bricklayer said at Clerkenwell
County Court in a chimney repair
case that he went to look at it and
then went back for a ladder. Mr.
Registrar Friend—Of course, that
would be the correct procedure.
It would not be good form to have
your tools with you.

A snatch of gossip overheard at
a certain High Street "stair-
held":—

"Yer lookin' awfu' glum, Mrs.
M'Whiffle."

"Ye think sae?"

"Ye're no' yer ain cheery self
these days."

"Mebbe ye're richt, Mrs. Broon,
mebbe ye're richt."

"But there's a reason, I'm
thinkin'?"

"Mebbe, ye're richt."

"Mind you, I'm no' curious, but I
could mebbe assist ye if it was
summat a neighbour could dae for
a neighbour."

"Och, it's naethin' but the fact
that it's Christmas season. I
dinna like Christmas."

"Fech, but ye're a queer wum-
man, you are. Whit wey d'ye no'
like Christmas?"

"Aweel, Mrs. Broon, I'll tell ye
as a freen'. Four year ago at
Christmas, was my teeth out;
three year ago at Christmas it was
adenoids; and last year at
Christmas the liddle took scarlet
fever. I'm wishin' it was New
Year."

We have in England the
ridiculous situation of more and
more writers determined to write
books, and more and more people
not very anxious to read them.—
Mr. Hugh Walpole.

You cannot learn to be a comic;
it is a gift from God.—Sir Harry
Lauder.

Not one man in ten who runs a
motor-car to-day can properly
afford it.—Judge Crawford.

The tyranny of the multitude
can be just as deadly in its way
as the tyranny of the few.—Dr. F.
W. Norwood.

There are spendthrifts who
would feel guilty of the sin of
wastefulness if they paid the price
of a dozen oysters for a book.—
Mr. Robert Lynd.

Mr. Eugene O'Neill, the well-
known American author, who has
been missing for some time in
Shanghai, has been located in
Manila. He is travelling under
the name of the Rev. William
O'Brien and is accompanied by his
secretary, Mrs. Tuwe Drew and
her daughter. He left behind him
in Shanghai a letter in which he
stated that he had come to China
for quiet but had been disappoint-
ed. He intends to visit Honolulu
and Tahiti, and says he will go to
the South Pole if necessary, to se-
cure peace and solitude to work in.

SOVIET BUSY IN MANILA.

FINANCIAL AID GIVEN TO LABOUR LEADERS.

"RED" LITERATURE.

Manila, Dec. 26.—That some of the Filipino labour leaders are flirting with Moscow Bolshevism and are surreptitiously spreading Bolshevism to the masses, was the startling discovery made yesterday by Government authorities. The findings came as an aftermath of the cigar makers' strike on Monday morning.

Some of the labour leaders, it is believed are getting financial aid from Moscow, and the frequency of strikes in the cigar factories in Manila is assigned to pressure put to bear upon the local labour leaders by the Moscow liberals.

It was discovered that the masses are continuously fed with Bolshevik stuff and that strikes had been declared not as an earnest protest against capital, but to satisfy the Moscow labour leaders.

Documents had been seized by the authorities, showing the connexion between some Filipino labour leaders and the Moscow leaders. Leaflets and other Bolshevik literature distributed to the masses at the instance of the local labour leaders have been discovered.

Some of the important documents are understood to have been sent to the office of the Governor General.

Apprehensive of the danger attending labour strikes, the constabulary hereafter will outlaw the display of red flags by any group of persons in connexion with labour demonstration and strike. All constabulary commanders were instructed by the headquarters to keep track with the labour leaders blacklisted.

Colonel John W. Greep, chief of police of Manila, also outlawed the display of any red flags.

RUSSIA'S IMMENSE ARMY.

ESTIMATES OF 280,000,000 FOR PAST YEAR.

According to the latest official figures the Army Estimates of the Russian Soviet Republic for the year 1927-28 amount to 823,000,000 roubles, or over 280,000,000, twice as much as that allocated for the same purposes in Great Britain.

Sixty military schools have been established, and there are 5,600 centres for training and instruction.

Military service is compulsory, the active service age being from 21 to 25, and the age for reservists from 26 to 40. The recruits for the standing army amount to 270,000 a year, but preparatory instruction is given between the ages of 19 and 20 to 842,000 youths.

Army of 15,000,000.

All recruits are either drafted into the standing army for two years' service, or may go to make up the territorial reserve forces. The territorial train for three months during their first year, two months during the second year, and one month during the last year of service.

It is reckoned that in this manner, by calling up all classes down to the age of 22, Soviet Russia could put into the field an army of 15,000,000 of more or less trained effectives.

During the Great War Russia was reported to have called up over 20,000,000 men.

EX-M.P.'S LIABILITIES.

"HEAVY LOSSES AND SUBSTANTIAL PROFITS."

A sitting was held before Mr. Registrar Mellor at the London Bankruptcy Court for the public examination of Mr. Arnold Williams, a chartered accountant and former member of the Bowdler Division of Yorkshire, described as of Queen Anne's-gate, S. W.

Mr. Williams had filed a statement of affairs showing total liabilities of £130,806, of which £106,891 was unsecured, and assets estimated to produce £45,785.

He stated that he had been director of a great many companies and had suffered heavy losses and had made substantial profits. He agreed that the companies with which he had been connected dealt in all sorts and kinds of merchandise and in classes of merchandise of which he had no experience.

He estimated that about 1922 he was worth £50,000. He was, he said, one of a promoting syndicate who made a profit of £200,000 on the flotation of the Laburnham Spinning Company (1920), Limited. His share was £4,000.

The examination was adjourned, the debtor being ordered to amend his accounts.

CIVILIAN AIR ACCIDENTS.

ANALYSIS OF CAUSE IN 13 CASES.

Light is thrown on the accidents involving privately owned and flying club aircraft by an analysis of the causes of all such accidents that have occurred since January 1 this year.

The analysis shows that private and club flying has attained a high degree of safety; that not one serious light aeroplane accident can be attributed to engine failure, and that only one can be attributed to bad weather.

In all, there have been 13 accidents, eight of them being fatal and one resulting in serious injury to the occupants of the machine, two resulting in slight injury, and two resulting in no injury.

Six accidents were due to stalling, and four of these were fatal, so that the stall remains the most frequent cause of fatal air accidents.

Examination of each of the accidents due to stalling shows that in all probability not one of them would have occurred if the machines had been fitted with the Handley Page wing slots.

One accident was due to rash flying, one to racing, one to inexperience in stunting, three to carelessness, and one to mechanical failure.

Misuse of Controls.

The accident due to inexperience in stunting was caused by the pilot using his controls harshly, and so throwing his body forward, breaking the safety belt and falling from the machine.

The one due to bad weather occurred during the King's Cup air race, when a competitor hit the side of a hill.

Praise for the absence of engine failures must be mainly bestowed upon the A.D.C. Cirrus engine, with which the vast majority of light aeroplanes are equipped.

In addition to those included in this summary, there have been two accidents to private owned aircraft while they were being used for commercial purposes. One of these, in which the pilot was drowned, was due undoubtedly to rash flying.

The accidents caused by carelessness include those which resulted from machines striking obstructions such as walls, telegraph wires, and flagstays. This may appear to be rather unfair to the pilots, but it must be pointed out that more experience might have enabled them to avoid the obstructions.

FANLING GOLF.

HUMPHREYS FOURSOMES.

The following is the result of the draw for the Humphreys' foursomes to be played over 18 holes on the old course at Fanling.

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First Round: R. K. Hepburn (10) and H. Spicer (18) v G. E. Ellams (13) and W. K. Tait (17); C. E. Holmes (10) and G. R. Horridge v H. W. Moon (18) and W. D. Fiddes Wilson (17); A. H. Ferguson (5) and T. G. Bennett (9) v D. J. Gilmore (11) and K. S. McLaren (9).

Second Round (byes in the first round): A. B. Raworth (7) and M. M. Maas (12) v J. Morris (18) and C. D. Lambert (18); N. K. Littlejohn (13) and W. J. S. Key (18) v I. W. Sheehan (8) and E. D. Lawrence (9); R. Hancock (8) and C. B. Johnson (10) v F. J. Wedderburn (14) and A. E. Wood (15); R. Young (9) and W. D. Brown (7) v L. R. Andrews (6) and A. B. Stewart (3); C. B. Brown (18) and C. C. Stark (6) v N. Croucher (17) and E. des Voex (13); A. Lench (10) and I. H. Geare (13) v D. E. Clark (14) and J. D. Humphreys (18); S. T. Bullin (11) and A. Sommerfeldt (12) v A. G. Copple (18) and A. D. Copple.

Those without handicap will play from scratch unless a handicap is allotted before any match. The matches will be played on three-eighths combined handicap, and if the match goes beyond the eighteenth green, strokes will be taken as in the first round.

The first round has to be completed on or before January 6, the second by January 20, the third by February 3, the fourth by February 17, the semi-finals by March 3, and the final by March 17.

A Chinese woman attempted to commit suicide on Saturday by jumping off the Yau-mat ferry launch. She was saved by a motor-boat and later handed over to the police.

ELLERMAN SHIP AGROUND.

CITY OF CARLISLE ASHORE IN PHILIPPINES.

MISTAKEN LIGHTS?

Manila, Dec. 21.—The Ellerman Line steamer City of Carlisle which went aground on the San Nicolas Shoals at 6.45 last Tuesday night, was still sitting on the rocks late last night. It was expected she would be refloated by to-day, at high tide.

Four lighters were sent yesterday morning to take some of the cargo off the City of Carlisle. All efforts of the U.S.S. Tennessee and the U.S. Naval ferry Wompatuck

About Hong Kong

Do you know that—

Needless noise was prohibited by Proclamation as early as 1843?

The Proclamation stated that no-one was permitted after eight o'clock to beat gongs, play drums, let off crackers "nor to be engaged in loud or noisy vociferation." Chinese were not allowed out between 8 and 10 p.m. unless they carried "a large lantern," and no-one was permitted to be in the streets after 10 p.m. without a pass.

to pull her off at 2.09 a.m. yesterday were futile, so the lighters were sent to diminish her draft.

On the shore, she was drawing 18 feet forward and 30 feet astern yesterday, it was learned. She had an average draft of 23 feet on account of her being lightly loaded. She has not been making any water and it is believed that she is not damaged.

It was learned that the City of Carlisle left port some minutes before 6 p.m. and was 16 miles out when the mishap occurred.

As the light at the San Nicolas was burning at the time of the accident, it was presumed that she mistook Caballo light for the San Nicolas light.

The weather remains good and the ship is in no danger, it was learned.

DONKEYS IN SACKCLOTH.

NEW METHOD OF ERADICATING TSETSE FLY.

Johannesburg, Nov. 19.—Donkeys dressed in sackcloth and birdlime are being used to eradicate the deadly tsetse fly in the Zululand game reserve.

Government experts have discovered that tsetse flies invariably attack their victims low down, generally between the foot and the knee, and that they prefer the shady side of man or beast. Prone objects are immune from attack, the flies preferring a moving object and favouring warm bodies rather than cold.

A large number of donkeys are therefore being clothed in sackcloth leggings covered with birdlime and turned loose in areas infested by the tsetse fly. Periodically the donkeys are rounded-up and the leggings, smothered with dead flies, removed.



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RESTAURANT OF ALL NATIONS.

GREAT SCHEME PROJECTED FOR LONDON.

Berlin, Nov. 19.—Herr Kronau, director of the super-restaurant Haus Vaterland, to-day gave some details of the Restaurant of All Nations which he is to establish in London.

He says that he has two offers under consideration, and will probably be in London in about a fortnight's time to make the final arrangements for his ambitious project.

Those interested in the scheme include a group of London banks and financiers of note. Sites in the neighbourhood of Hyde Park and in the West End of London are being considered for the building.

The great restaurant is to provide for the tastes of all nationalities. The main restaurant will be arranged to reproduce a Seventeenth Century Scottish inn, and there will be, in addition, halls decorated in the styles of various countries. There will be an Indian restaurant, and an Italian restaurant, and so on.

A cow-boy bar will have a dance floor resembling a prairie of the Far West, and there will also be Spanish and Chinese bars.

In addition there will be ball-rooms and rooms where concerts and cabaret shows will be given.

"Money no Object."

Inquiries in London show that a mysterious emissary, who declined to disclose the name of the syndicate for which he acted, has called on well-known West End property agents in search of suitable premises for an exclusive and expensive restaurant.

His requirements were for 18,000 square feet of floor-space, and he insisted that the building must be in the Hyde Park area. He was shown various properties, one comprising two floors of a well-known building, which would provide the floor-space for which he sought. It was pointed out that this particular property commanded a rental of £15,000 per annum plus rates, but he replied to this that "money was no object."

Although declining to indicate for whom he was negotiating, he gave a good address in the Hyde Park area, and it is understood that he is considering more than one site.

This mysterious representative was undoubtedly English.

£1,000 FOR THE NATION.

ANOTHER GIFT TOWARDS DEBT REDUCTION.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer has received the sum of £1,000 as a contribution towards the reduction of the National Debt from a gentleman who has previously made similar contributions for the same purpose.

The donor wishes to remain anonymous, but Mr. Churchill desires to express publicly the thanks of His Majesty's Government, which he has already tendered privately, for this further generous gift to the nation.

A cumulative fund for debt extinction was initiated last February by an anonymous gift of £500,000. In July Lord Inchcape and his family presented the nation with £500,000 for the same purpose in memory of the Hon. Elsie Mackay. Since those dates many gifts of varying amounts have been received for the same end.

WOMEN POLICE.

A NEW LAW WANTED FOR "GUTTER CRAWLERS."

OFFICIAL OPINIONS.

Miss E. Tancred, Chairman of the Police Committee of the National Council of Women of Great Britain; the Chief Constable of Staffordshire, and the Recorder of Derby gave evidence yesterday before the Royal Commission on Police Powers and Procedure.

Viscount Lee of Fareham presided.

Miss E. Tancred stated that it was the opinion of the National Council of Women of Great Britain that if a person from whom a statement involving personal character was being taken was a woman, a policewoman was more likely to be told the truth than a policeman. In the case of a young girl, such as Miss Savidge, the sex appeal played an undue part, and vitiated any statement of fact.

The Chairman—The Savidge case has very little to do with our inquiry, but you can use it as an illustration. What exactly do you mean by that statement?

Miss Tancred—A young girl is very apt to play up when questioned by a man in order to make an interesting story.

The Chairman—You mean to exercise a sex appeal?—Yes.

And, in consequence, you do not get as correct a statement of facts as a woman would elicit?—No.

Statements by Women.

Miss Tancred continued, that when a statement was being taken from a woman who was suspected of being in custody, or from a woman witness, a woman police officer should be present, and not merely a police matron.

The Chairman—What is it you are guarding against by having a woman there at all?—Against the police.

Is a police matron incapable of performing that role?—Those I know are not responsible women. You would not expect it of them. Sir Leonard Dunning, in 1920, I think it was, said that 70 per cent. of police matrons were charwomen. They are simply cleaners.

The Chairman—That is not supported by the evidence we have had so far.

Miss Tancred added that the Home Secretary had stated that police matrons were paid 18s. a week, and they did not consider such a woman was a responsible person.

Miss Tancred said that her Council considered that grave abuses might result from the employment of policemen in plain clothes for the purpose of obtaining evidence of street offences, such as indecency or solicitation.

The Chairman—You would employ policewomen in plain clothes?—Not in plain clothes, in uniform.

Lord Ebbisham, describing police matrons as being in many cases trained nurses and women of very high feeling, asked Miss Tancred if the employment of these women to be present at the taking of statements would not solve the problem.

Miss Tancred replied that her only complaint was that those women could not be made responsible, because they were not police officers.

Women Police.

Mr. J. A. Wilson, Chief Constable of Cardiff City Police, gave evidence at the morning session.

In a reply to a questionaire he stated: "With the advent of the light motor-car there is an increasing tendency for motorists in pursuit of their vice to frequent main thoroughfares with their cars. Their detestable conduct is obvious, but they infringe no statutory law, and the police are powerless. Their conduct should be considered as importuning, and power given to the police to arrest them when they take known prostitutes in their cars."

On the question of clubs, Mr. Wilson remarked that he thought 75 per cent. of the clubs in South Wales were not bona fide—they were nothing more or less than drinking dens.

Mr. Wilson, in reply to Miss Beavan, said that there were no women police in Cardiff. "I am opposed to women police," he added. "I don't think it is a woman's job. There are so many things a woman police officer cannot do, and so few that she can do."

Miss Beavan asked whether it was not a protection for a woman in certain cases to be dealt with by a woman.

Mr. Wilson—No self-respecting police officer could work with a policewoman in sexual cases. The whole thing is revolting.

Sir Howard Frank—Don't you think there are many things a woman can do which a man cannot do? Don't you think a woman would be more sympathetic with a child accused of crime?

Mr. Wilson—I don't think so. I have known men who were very sympathetic.

Lieutenant-Colonel the Hon. G. A. Anson, Chief Constable of Staffordshire, declared that "no women police" was his rule.

Mr. T. Hollis Walker, K.C., Recorder of Derby, expressed the view that, generally speaking, he thought the police exercised their powers with admirable tact and fairness.

The Commission adjourned.

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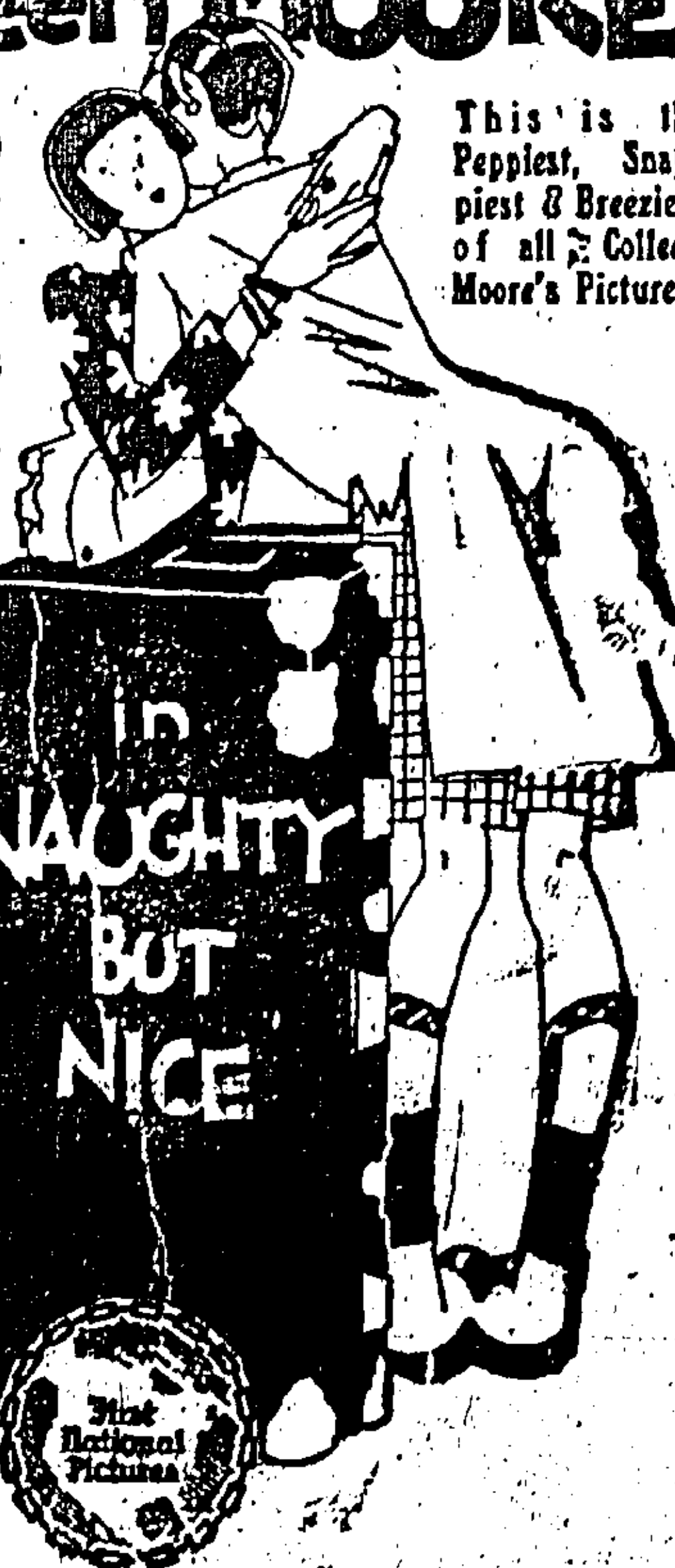
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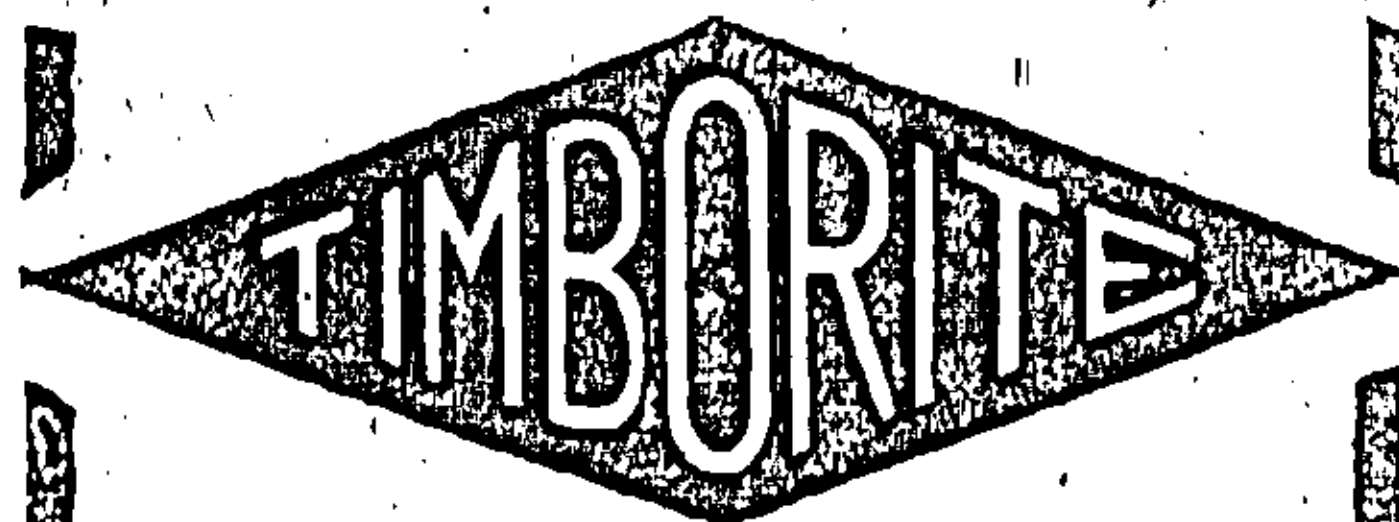
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ENGLAND BEATS CHINA.

LOSERS' BIG EFFORT IN
SECOND HALF.

GOLDMAN SCORES THREE
GREAT GOALS.

SPLENDID FOOTBALL.

[By "Wanderer"]

For a period of approximately twenty minutes in the second half of the International Charity Cup match yesterday, after England had secured a lead of 3 goals to one, the Chinese were definitely on top, their fast thrusting forward line all but overcoming the staunch England defence. With the slightest luck, the brilliant combination and quick movements of the Chinese at this stage would have altered the whole complexion of the game, but they scored only once, and just when Wynne and his colleagues were beginning to falter in the face of persistent and clever attacks, the burst expended itself and England recovered to win handsomely by four goals to two.

It was an extraordinarily interesting game from start to finish and on the whole an excellent exhibition of the code. Both sides were well represented, and individually most players reached the pinnacle of their form.

An all-round convincing display was given by the winners' defence, and if the forwards were not quite up to the same standard, they had a lively leader, who worried the backs constantly, and scored three perfect goals.

China's Experiment.

The Chinese fielded a more or less experimental side, including no fewer than six South China players. With but one exception, the changes were fully justified, and the new blood gave the Chinese team a lift that has not been apparent for some time past.

England began with great dash and it was not long before the lead had been secured, Goldman heading through smartly from a centre by Barkham. Soon afterwards, Goldman netted a second in almost the same way, though on this occasion the ball came from the left. China undismayed by these early setbacks, replied with a series of warm attacks, but Wynne and Baker were in splendid form, and it was not until a minute before the interval that Fung King-cheong reduced the lead with a nicely placed shot.

The second half opened quietly but, within ten minutes England went further ahead, Goldman completing his "hat-trick" with a brilliant effort, a full-blooded drive from 25 yards beating Pau Ka-ping easily, though the goalkeeper managed to get within touch.

For the next twenty minutes, China made a brave effort which deserved better fortune. Seldom has Hongkong been granted the pleasure of witnessing such fine teamwork in a spirited effort to retrieve an apparently hopeless position.

A Big Effort.

The whole team put that little bit of extra go into its work which counts for so much and with the wingers' delighting with some adroit manoeuvring and the inside men backing them up splendidly, England's defence was badly rattled. Mott pushed three superb shots out in quick succession, and Baker charged down a shot by Fung which was going all the way. Ultimately, Ip Pak-wa broke clean through and gave Mott no possible chance.

England showed up more favourably afterwards, making use of Barkham at outside right for the first time in this half. He gave a nice display, but it was left to the left wing to make certain of victory, Barclay giving Hooper a pass which seemed wrong in view of the former's nearness to goal, but which the winger turned to excellent account by netting from an acute angle.

England retired worthy winners but China made them play every inch of the way. Wynne was in great form as usual and his partner, Baker, seemed even stronger, never placing a foot wrong throughout, and tackling with great confidence. Everest was the

CRICKET NOTES.

[By "Two Legs"]

Results panned out very satisfactorily in the League matches on Saturday, at least from the spectator's point of view, as five out of six matches were brought to a definite conclusion. It is hoped that the cry for brighter cricket here has been answered and that this state of affairs will continue, as players are beginning to realise that the time at their disposal to win a game is more limited in the months of December and January than it was at the commencement of the season.

In the Senior Division, Civil Service upset calculations at Kowloon. Frequent change of bowling by the home captain had no effect on Sayer, de Rome and Barrow who were all in splendid batting form. It was A. E. Wood, however, who sealed the fate of the K.C.C. as far as a victory for the latter side was concerned. Wood, going in second wicket down, remained undefeated with 59 to his credit in an excellent innings during which he reproduced a little of his form of ten and fifteen years ago when he was one of the stalwarts of the Civil Service team.

With almost two hundred runs to make, Kowloon C.C. could not have hoped for a win, but they were not deprived of the whole three points. A great deal depended on Brace and he came off, as he usually does. E. F. Fincher, too, was in a very happy mood and played a big part in effecting the draw with his enterprising batting.

Hongkong C.C., as expected, had matters pretty much their own way at Causeway Bay. After an exceptionally poor start—Hayward, Moor and Quick were all out cheaply—the Club mastered the bowling of the Chinese and ran up the useful total of 167 for seven. The home team's batting, always weak, crumbled before the bowling of Dobbie, Wales and Bowker. Tsui Wai-pui saved his side from setting up a new record for the lowest score this season by hitting up more than half of the total of 43, off the bat.

The Junior champions, University seconds, came a cropper against Indian R.C. 2nd XI. The Sookumpoo team had a very strong side out and expected to be fully extended but found the "Varsity" very much below their form of last year when they treated the championship in such great style. A. S. Saffad (40) and Ackbar (20) both of whom were unfortunately run out, changed the complexion of the game from their side's point of view. They were somewhat subdued at the commencement but soon knocked the sting out of the

(Continued on Next Column.)

pick of a sound half-back line, possibly because his opponents made up the most lively wing. Cantor had great difficulty in holding Chan Kwong-ui, who gave a brilliant display as a right-winger, but put in any amount of good work.

Goldman in Form.

Goldman was outstanding in the forward line, and Stock was as versatile ever until he was injured. Barclay was not quite up to form, while Hooper is not an outside-left. Barkham it is hardly fair to judge. He was for an unaccountable reason given very little to do. With so many idle periods it was not surprising that he did many poor things as well as many good ones.

All China's forwards played with distinction, the line working harmoniously. Suen and Fung gave some nice touches, and one special effort deserved better luck. It was when Fung drew the whole defence, and slipped the ball neatly to Suen, whose piledriver went just wide.

The half-backs played spasmodically, only Wong Shui-wa distinguishing himself throughout. The backs gave a sound display, while Pau Ka-ping had no chance with any of the goals.

The teams were:
England: Mott; Wynne, Baker; Everest, Hill, Cantor; Barkham, Stock, Goldman, Barclay and Hooper.

China: Pau Ka-ping; Chen (S. China), Lai Yuk-tat; Pang Wah-hing, Wong Shui-wa, Ng Po-lai; Chan Kwong-ui, Pau Ka-chuen, Fung King-cheong, Suen Kam-shun and Ip Pak-wa.

GOLF IN CANTON.

The Tung Shan Championship was won on Sunday by Mr. J. C. H. Bonbright, the American Vice-Consul.

Played over 36 holes on the Tungshan Recreation Club's Course at Tung Shan, Canton, it was evident from early in the game that Mr. Bonbright would get away with it easily. He even made a record match score for the first nine holes, doing the round in 33. His opponent, Mr. A. T. Lay, was, on the other hand, somewhat off his game and at the end of the first round was already eight down.

Mr. Bonbright won by 10 and 9.

—Our Own Correspondent.

opposition bowling and made the way easier for the succeeding batsmen.

One wonders whether it is due to lack of practice or that their keenness for cricket is on the wane, but the display of the Peking students on that day, is certainly not the form of a champion XI. Never at any time a strong batting side, their fielding too, left a lot to be desired. I hear Abbas of the I.R.C., who is not regarded as good enough for a regular place in his team, bowled uncommonly well and had the "Varsity" batsmen tied up for the most part.

With the inclusion of well-known names like Mitchell, Evers, Duckitt and Armstrong, H.K.C.C. 2nd swamped their old rivals K.C.C. 2nd. Mitchell's score of 87 not out was the outstanding feature of this match. I believe that was his first appearance with the second team and unless it is very desirable that he should lead the juniors, his place in the side—he is an excellent bat on his day—is not easy to explain.

Civil Service 2nd had little difficulty with the Police, but King gave them plenty of anxiety and might have made a draw of it if he had any support at all from the others in his side. The Electric R.C.'s collapse against Club de Recreo was rather unaccountable. Alves and Pinna, bowlers not much above the average of second division standard, ran through them for 31 runs!

The League table has undergone several changes. H.K.C.C. are at the head of affairs in the Senior Division but there is still a long way to go and they are not yet out of the reach of any of the other teams. I.R.C. 2nd XI have obtained a very useful lead in the Junior League with R.E. and S. H.K.C.C. 2nd XI and the University 2nd XI as their closest rivals.



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The story of the formation of the Association and of its aim to promote independent markets for Jamaican products in the United Kingdom dates from 1927, when a movement was started for the creation of a co-operative shipping and marketing company to free the banana planters from the reliance upon those into whose hands the control of the industry had fallen.

It was complained by the planters that they were at the mercy of private operators, and that adequate shipping facilities were not provided, while the marketing arrangements in the United Kingdom and on the Continent led to reduced prices for the growers and a restriction on the expansion of Jamaica's first industry.

£200,000 Loan.

Co-operative groups were established, and from them was born the Jamaican Producers' Association. The sympathetic support of the Jamaican Government was secured in the form of an official loan amounting to about £200,000, and at the end of July Mr. A. W. Parquharson, the Chairman, and Mr. C. E. Johnston, one of the directors, left for England in order to carry out negotiations for the building or purchase of ships.

It is hoped to begin operations next year. The ships bought are Highland Laddie (7,331 tons), Highland Piper (7,490), Highland Loch (7,490), Highland Glen (7,498), Highland Pride (7,469), and Highland Rover (7,490).

By buying these vessels instead of building new ones the Association has provided for a considerable saving, even after the cost of special reconditioning for the banana trade is added to the first purchase price. The ships will have greater passenger accommodation than would have been the case if new vessels had been contemplated, and will have a large reserve of insulated space available for carrying cargo other than fruit.

The representatives of the Association in England have also completed arrangements whereby the handling and distribution of the growers' fruit will be effective, some of the best firms in the United Kingdom having agreed to co-operate.

Jamaica's greatest desire is to sell the bulk of her products in Great Britain. With the new service in operation her people will come very near to the realisation of their wish.

DR. VORONOFF ON REJUVENATION.

SEEING HIMSELF IN ARNOLD BENNETT'S PLAY.

Paris, Nov. 29.
Dr. Serge Voronoff went last night to see his imaginary counterpart, Professor Satalyov, in Arnold Bennett's play, "The Return Journey," now being given by Mr. Edward Stirling and the English Players.

Interviewed afterwards, Dr. Voronoff stated that the play was phantasmagoric, not fact. Only five per cent, he said, of the people who consult him with a view to undergoing a gland graft operation do so with a view to physical regeneration.

The vast majority go in order to continue to enjoy the exercise of their intellectual faculties without the check of physical fatigue due to reduced vitality. This, Dr. Voronoff maintains, the gland operation can do. In his view demand for physical rejuvenation in old age is rare, and he strongly hinted most unlikely to be achieved.

The beneficial effect of the gland operation on mental life might decrease after a period of three or five years, but could be renewed by a repetition of the operation.

The moral of Arnold Bennett's play that rejuvenation might work harm by its reaction on others posed an interesting ethical question, but from the surgeon's point of view this was answered by another question: Should the surgeon refuse to perform any ordinary operation the result of which would be to prolong the life of a notoriously bad man?

LETTER GOLF.

If you don't take too many detours in going from ROAD to LANE you should make the trip in five.

R	O	A	D
L	A	N	E

1—The idea of letter golf is to change one word to another and do it in par, a given number of strokes. Thus to change COW to Hen, in three strokes, COW, HOW, HEW HEN.

2—You can change only one letter at a time.

3—You must have a complete word, of common usage, for each jump. Slang words and abbreviations don't count.

4—The order of letters cannot be changed.

One solution is printed on another page.

Mr. Bromley, general secretary of the Associated Society of Locomotive Engineers and Firemen, has sailed on a health trip to Algeria.

CONSIGNEES' NOTICE.

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The Steamship "ATHOS II"
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Goods not cleared within 7 days including date of arrival, will be subject to rent.

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Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the consignees, and the company's Surveyor Messrs. Goddard & Douglas at 10.00 a.m. on Monday the 24th December, 1928.

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No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

L. LESDOS, Agent.
Hongkong, 18th December, 1928.

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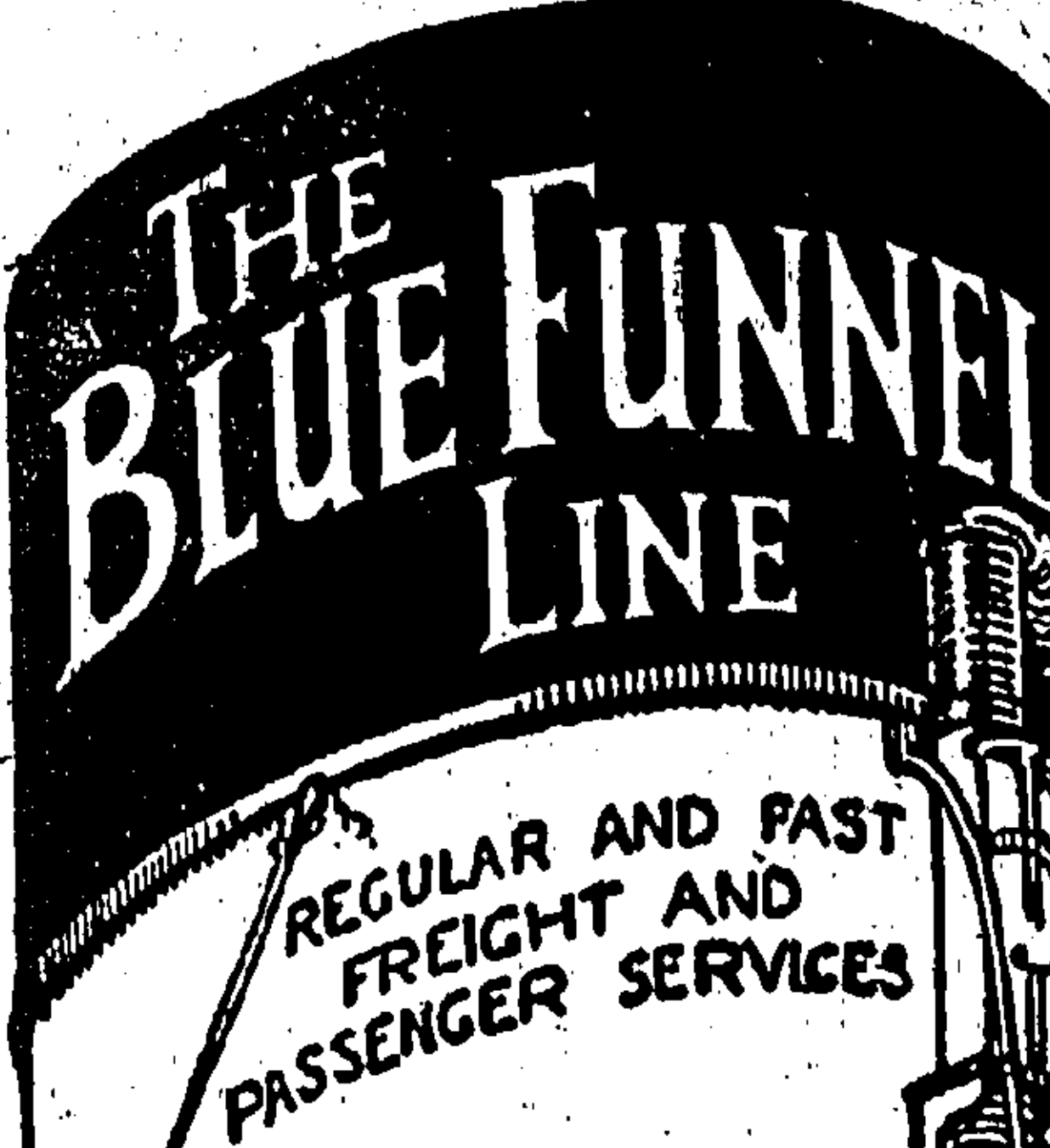
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The Lila is designed by the builders not for speed but for comfort and high class finish and is a handsome teakwood vessel of 80' in length by 15' beam with raking stem, cruiser stern, and flared bows for sea-worthiness and wide deck space forward.

At each end of machinery space is 3/16" steel bulkhead insulated with asbestos 2" thick and panelled with Philippine mahogany; the peak bulkheads are also of steel. At each side of engine room are the oil fuel tanks of 3/16" steel plate and necessary fittings, with controls led to deck.

The deck cabin is forward of boiler casing, neatly panelled with Philippine mahogany and with railway carriage windows at sides and fore end and curtains at windows; the settee is covered with Roxine and has spring bottom and floor covered with linoleum. The state room has polished brass ports fitted each side, and sides of room and ceiling in Philippine mahogany and with spring beds and drawers. Settee with lockers beneath, hair-stuffed cushions and holland cover; floor covered with linoleum, dressing table and wardrobe of mahogany and curtains to ports with two brass gimble lamps. Toilet below deck with under-water-line lavatory, wash basin, mirror and hat and coat hooks and towel rail with tiled floor, brass gimble lamp, and brass mushroom ventilators. Cabin forward panelled with mahogany and with two sofa berths, dressing table, drawers and lockers and hinged ports, floor covered with linoleum, curtains over ports and brass gimble lamps. Cabin abaft engine room fitted with spring bed and drawers and similarly panelled, dressing table, locker, hinged ports, linoleum and gimble lamp. Lavatory on port side with under-water-line W.C. wash basin, hat and coat hooks, linen locker and tiled floor, brass gimble lamp and polished copper ventilators. Kitchen on port side with cooking range, sink and dresser, tiled floor and oil lamp. Crews galley abaft kitchen with cooking range and lockers, tiled floor and bulkhead lamps. Crews lavatory on starboard side aft with under-water-line W.C. wash basin, tiled floor and oil lamp. Bathrooms similarly fitted and with enameled bath. Crews space aft with six bunks. The rail and fender of vessel are fitted all round with heavy polished brass coping and all bollards and fairleads, etc., are of polished brass.

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A LIGHT FINE.

CYCLIST WHO DROVE MACHINE ON PAVEMENT.

What was described as a light fine for dangerous driving was imposed by Mr. E. M. Hamilton at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court on Monday afternoon when Mr. Yung Ying-ching was fined \$25. The defendant was charged with dangerous driving and also with failing to provide his cycle with two efficient and independent brakes.

Mr. Jin-shing Lo appeared for the defence and said that as his Worship had a long list of cases and also because it was Christmas Eve he wished to plead guilty and explain the whole circumstances to his Worship.

In reply to the Bench, Sub-Inspector Nicol said that he was at the main gate of the Kowloon Motor Bus Company on November 5 when he saw a motor cycle driven by the defendant pass at 25 miles per hour. At the junction of Nathan Road and Shantung Street the driver mounted the pavement and drove for about 30 paces before going into the garage. There were a lot of people about at the time.

His Worship imposed a fine of \$25 on the first charge, cautioning the defendant on the second.

Mr. Lo asked his Worship if he did not think that sum too heavy. Mr. Hamilton pointed out that he would hear the case if the defence so desired it. A plea of guilty had been entered and on the facts his Worship said that he imposed a fine of \$25.

Mr. Lo replied that there was the extenuating circumstance that the pavement where the defendant had driven his motor cycle was immediately outside his own timber yard.

His Worship pointed out that there might be people about and it made little difference whether the defendant owned the timber yard or not. "Mind you," added his Worship, "\$25 is very cheap for dangerous driving."

Officer Fined.

Captain F. G. Legros, R.A., was charged before his Worship with driving an unlicensed motor car

SCHOOL CONCERT.

MUNSAUNG COLLEGE CELEBRATE BIRTH OF CHRIST.

The staff and students of the Munsaung College of Kowloon City celebrated Christmas yesterday afternoon when a concert was given by pupils of the institution at the New Kowloon Theatre, Kowloon City.

It was explained by the chairman of the college that Christmas was the greatest of all festivities. It was because of their admiration of the personality of Christ that the celebration was held. Our Lord, he said, was admired as the greatest of all heroes of the past.

The concert started with the singing of the Christmas carol, "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing." Other carols were also included in the programme, while there was a display of juggling by Mr. F. F. Choi, a violin solo by Mr. M. C. Loh and short plays.

LETTER GOLF SOLUTION.

Here is the solution to the puzzle on another page.

ROAD, LOAD, LORD, LARD, LAND, LANE.

and with driving the said car without an appropriate driver's licence.

The defendant pleaded guilty. His Worship remarked that there were several summonses for similar offences pending against other military officers and asked what had happened.

Captain Legros said that as far as he was concerned when in Singapore military officers used a Colonial licence on motor cars.

Remarking that he would have to suffer as an example, his Worship imposed a fine of \$5 on each summons.

Mr. W. R. Hawke, who was represented by Mr. Leo d'Almeida, was fined \$5 for driving a motor cycle without a licence.

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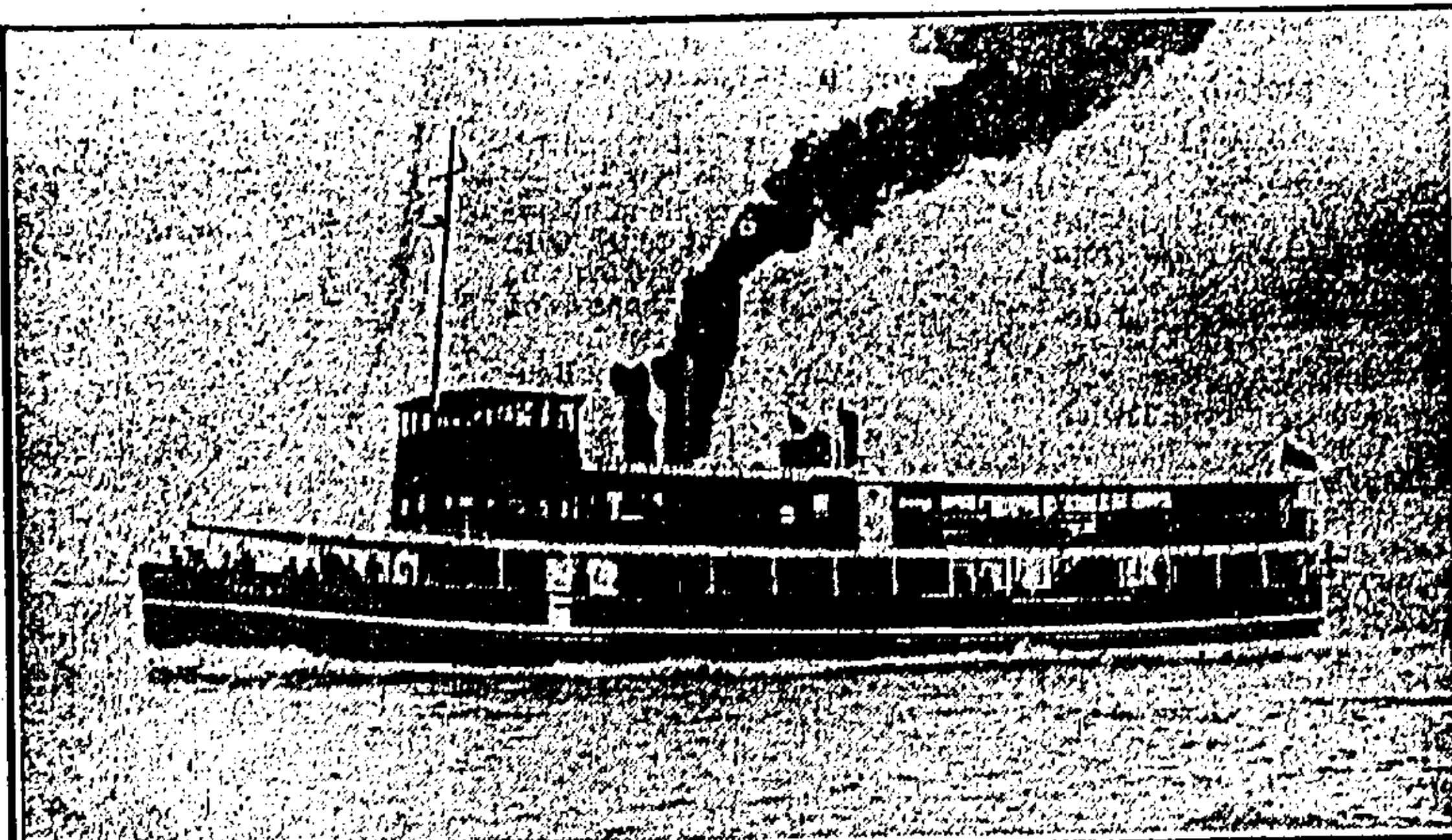
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CHRISTMAS IN HONGKONG.

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He sent forth His spirit into the
hearts of men, enabling them to
realise what sonship meant.

Catholic Cathedral.

The full ritual of a Pontifical
High Mass was held at the Roman
Catholic Cathedral during the
midnight service.

His Lordship Bishop Valtorta
officiated, assisted by the Church
Vestry, and later preached a short
sermon on the Nativity of Christ.
The full choir of the Cathedral
led in the singing, the chanting
of the "Adeste Fideles" being a
notable feature of the service.

The Cathedral was thronged to
overflowing by a very devout con-
gregation.

Similar services were also held
at St. Margaret's Church at Happy
Valley, and the Rosary Church in
in Kowloon.

Mass was also celebrated on
Christmas morning in all the
Catholic Churches of the Colony.

Union Church.

The Christmas morning service
at the Union Church was conducted
by the Rev. P. C. Young. Mr.
R. MacA. Koon finely rendered
the solo "Nazareth."

The Minister preached from the
words:—"There was no room in
the inn." This, he said, had al-
ways struck him as one of the
most pathetic things about the
Christmas story. That there
should be no room in the inn, no
room in the world for the infant
Jesus, was surely one of the sad-
dest facts in history. Someone
missed a great opportunity for
hospitality that night. Yet not on
that first Christmas Eve alone, but
in more modern days others mis-
sided the same opportunity.

Knocking at the doors of life
continually there were demands
for admission. Yet, as year fol-
lowed year, folk seemed to get further
away from the simple things and
life became more complicated and
disturbed.

As year followed year, childhood
was left farther and farther in the
past, folk became more prosaic,
more commonplace and dull.
Sometimes cynicism and despair
crept in and they were well on the
way to being sceptical. Faces be-
came hard and set. Life held few
surprises: disillusionment might
be writ large across life.

Childhood had gone, and with it,
the fairies and Santa Claus: they
had faded in the light of coming
day.

"It all comes about," said the
preacher, "because we persuade
ourselves that there is no room—
no room for the simple but car-
dinal things of life. We must
continually guard against this
mood."

"I suspect that in a Colony like
this it is sometimes difficult to
persuade oneself that Christmas
is really here. It is my first
Christmas here and I find it so.
There are so many factors which
make it difficult. The season is a
little out of its setting. Most of
our friends are in the Homeland;
our family ties call our thoughts
across the wastes of land and
water to Home. It is difficult to
persuade ourselves that it is really
Christmas with the thermometer
at sixty in the shade. Here it is
not Christmas-Card Yuletide.

"Yet, after all, what do these
things really matter? The Christ-
mas mood, while helped by these
external things, is not dependent
on them. The Christmas spirit
breaks the bounds of geography
and the rules of meteorology; it
tramples down the barriers of
time and space; for it is an atti-
tude of the heart, a bright mood
of the soul. This spirit defies separa-
tion, for it is born of an unbreak-
able hope and confidence in the
victory of love which is eternal.

"To put it scripturally, there is
either 'no room in the inn' for the
Christ spirit, or there is a glad
and joyous welcome.

"This is the glory of Christmas
morning—that we turn away from
hopelessness to hope; we obliterate
the things that worry and de-
press and find our way home to
life's sweet simplicities.

"Once in days gone by a Jewish
mother was turned away from an
Eastern inn; the inn was over-
crowded: a Babe was rejected. It
is a parable. On this Christmas
morn we have the alternative of
receiving into our own lives the
Christ Child, the Spirit of Love,
of Sympathy, of Generosity. Lives
may be too full, crowded out by
thought of self, by worries about
our own possessions, our stocks
and shares, and cares for our-
selves alone.

"Is it really true? Or is there
not room in these over-driven
lives of ours for a care that others
may be happy, a thought that those
who are lonely may find a friend,
that those who know little of this
world's comforts shall be aware
of them because we have welcomed

FATAL SHOOTING ACCIDENT.

U. S. NAVAL OFFICER DIES IN PHILIPPINES.

MISHAP WITH A GUN.

Manila, Dec. 19.

Lieutenant B. W. Schumaker,
(S. C.) U. S. Navy, stationed at the
Cavite Navy Yard, died at Cavite
Naval Hospital at 4 o'clock yester-
day morning as a result of acciden-
tal shooting at his quarters at the
yard late on Monday evening.

Lieutenant Schumaker had received
orders to return to the United
States on the army transport
Grant, sailing from Manila on
January 16.

Preparatory to packing their
household effects, Lieutenant and
Mrs. Schumaker had been oiling
various metal possessions. Upon
completing the oiling of her sewing
machine, Mrs. Schumaker retired,
leaving Lieutenant Schumaker oil-
ing a gun.

A few moments later a shot rang
out and, upon investigation,
Lieutenant Schumaker was found
badly wounded. He was rushed to
the Cavite Naval Hospital where
he died early yesterday morning.

Lieutenant Schumaker has been
on duty at the Supply Department
at Cavite for the past year. He is
survived by his widow and a son,
aged 12.

QUIET DAY AT KOWLOON.

ONLY THREE CASES AT THE MAGISTRACY.

The holiday atmosphere pervad-
ed the Kowloon Magistracy this
morning, when Mr. E. W. Hamilton
had only two cases in which delin-
quents were arrested on Christmas
Day. A third case which came
before his Worship concerned an
offence which was committed on
Christmas Eve.

When the name of a Chinese who
was charged with having on
Monday without a licence was
called, no reply was received, and
the man's bail of \$5 was estreated.

In the second case, an elderly
Chinese was charged with begging
in Argyle Street on Christmas Day.
The defendant pleaded guilty and
was fined \$5. Sergeant Har-
greaves informed his Worship that
the defendant had been sent away
three weeks ago.

Sentence of six weeks' hard
labour was imposed on a Chinese
who was charged with stealing a
foot-rule from a man in Shang-
hai Street. It was given in
evidence that the defendant was
seen by a district watchman to
steal the rule from the complain-
ant's pocket.

THE MURDER OF A PRIEST.

POLICE SEARCH FOR ITALIAN COMMUNIST.

Paris, Nov. 19.

The police are searching for an
Italian miner named Bartolomei,
a notorious Communist agitator, in
connection with the murder of the
Abbe Cesare Cavaradossi at Jouff,
near Metz.

It is now believed that after
murdering the priest, the same man
went to the house of an Italian
Fascist, Ferrari, smashed a window
pane with his revolver and fired
at him, without effect. The bullet
found is of the same kind as those
used by the assassin of the Abbe.

The Black Cross.

The Abbe was loved by many
members of the Italian colony, and
his waiting-room was always crowd-
ed with people anxious to receive
his advice. The assassin dashed
into the priest's study, and a few
seconds later three shots were
heard. Then he rushed out, shout-
ing:—"You can go in now."

The Abbe, owing to his ministra-
tions, was in constant touch with
the Italian Consulate, which no
doubt gave rise to the impression
that he was an active Fascist.

Several months ago, says a Reu-
ter message the Abbe found a
black cross marked on his door,
which in Corsica and certain parts
of Italy is a death warrant chalked
up by an enemy.

into our own lives the real Spirit
of Goodwill?"

St. Peter's Church.

The anniversary of the birth of
Christ was ushered in by a fairly
large congregation at St. Peter's
Church, West Point, where a mid-
night choral eucharist service was
conducted by the Rev. N. V. Hal-
ward, who in a short sermon said
that Christmas was always asso-
ciated with happiness. He then
went on to explain how spiritual
happiness could be attained.

LOCAL RADIO.

TO-DAY'S WIRELESS PROGRAMME.

The programme to be broadcast
by G.O.W. on 300 metres to-day is
as follows:

1.48 p.m.—Weather Report.
7.48 p.m.—Evening Weather Re-
port.

8 p.m. to 10.30 p.m.—Evening
Programme. (Victor Records)

"Blue Danube" Waltz.—piano-
forte solo by Josef Lhevinne.

"Romance in F." Beethoven.—

Violin solo by Jacques Thibaud.

"Love's Nocturne" and "Seren-
ade."—Beniamino Gigli, tenor.

"Angels Guard Thee" and "Mur-
muring Breezes."—Leonard Gow-
ings, tenor.

"Minuet" and "Nocturne."—

Renee Chemet, violin solo.

"The Vagabond King" and "Lady
Luck." (Vocal gems.)—Light
Opera Company.

"The Pilgrim's Song of Hope" and
"March on a Theme of Han-
del."—Arthur Meale, organ solo.

"The Blue Mazurka" and "The
Desert Song." (vocal gems.)—
Light Opera Company.

"Hamlet's Soliloquy" (Hamlet) and
"Gloucester's Soliloquy" (Henry VI.)—Dramatic Reading
by John Barrymore.

"Slander's Whisper." Barber of
Seville.—Feodor Chaliapin.

"Konzertstück" and "Concer-
tino."—John Amadio, flute.

"Kathleen Mavourneen" and
"Love's Old Sweet Song."—John
McCormack.

"Waltz" (Debussy), "La Fille
Aux Cheveux De Lin," "Scherzo,"
(Impromptu).—Jascha Heifetz, vio-
lin.

"Prophecies" and "I'm Blase."—
Norman Lon, humorist.

News Bulletin.

Dance Music.

God Save The King.

Close Down.

BIRTH CONTROL VAN.

INDIGNANT WOMAN WHO SAID SHE SET IT ON FIRE.

Elizabeth Ellis, aged 34, a con-
fectioner, of Springhead-road,
Bradford, was charged at Bradford
recently with setting fire to a
caravan owned by the Society for
Constructive Birth Control.

The charge was reduced to one
of malicious damage, and Ellis was
fined 10s., with 10s. damage, the
alternative being 11 days' im-
prisonment.

Mr. R. S. Bishop, who prosecuted,
said that the caravan had been in
various parts of the country and
was in charge of two certificated
midwives. On a Saturday morning
it was found that the window had
been broken and paraffin poured in-
side and set alight. Ellis called at
a police station and said, "I have
set fire to the Birth Control van."

On the charge being reduced
Ellis pleaded guilty, and when asked
if she would undertake not to do
it again said:—"I shall do it if the
woman is not dealt with. I broke
the law, but I broke it against some-
body who was breaking the law."

The Magistrate asked who was
"the woman," and Ellis replied,
"Marie Stopes."

The Magistrate—She was not in
the caravan.

The Police Surgeon said that Ellis
had a strong sense of indignation
that pamphlets on birth control
were circulated among unmarried
women.

Ellis refused to pay the fine, but
a police officer said her sister had
offered to pay.

CROSS ROADS SMASH.

DRIVERS WHO ACCELERATED AT THE SAME TIME.

A verdict of accidental death
was returned at the inquest at
Benson (Oxfordshire) on the three
victims of the car smash on the
main Henley and Oxford
road on a recent Satur-
day—Mrs. Mabel Frances Wil-
lams, aged 66, of Ipsden, Ox-
fordshire; Mrs. Jane Ethel Delap,
aged 61, of Carrickmores, County
Down, Ireland; and the chauffeur,
James Smith Foster, of Ipsden.

Mr. Victor Horsman, the Brook-
lands racing motor-cyclist, who
was driving the other car, said
that he was on his way to Leam-
ington and when he got to the
Bewlme cross roads he saw the
car driven by Foster coming down
a lane at a decent speed. They
slowed down in order to allow
each other to pass, and both ac-
celerated at the same time, each
thinking the other was giving way.
The collision, he thought, was one
which neither of them could have
avoided.

A naval wireless message from
Nanking states that on Christmas
Day the Chinese gunboat Cho Yu
rehoisted the flag of the Rear
Admiral. The French despatch
vessel Marine saluted the Chinese
flag with 21 guns, the Cho Yu re-
turning the salute. The Marine
then saluted the French Minister,
who left for Peking.

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